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## BATTLE FOR STALIN LINE

Fierce New Clashes Expected

### DRASTIC DEFENCE RULE

No male persons, whether of British nationality or not, are allowed to leave the Colony, under an Order gazetted under the Defence Regulations this morning.

The Order reads:—  
No male person, whether a British subject or not, shall proceed from this Colony to a destination outside it, except with the written permission of the competent authority.

The provisions of this order shall not apply to persons, or members of a class of persons generally or specially exempted therefrom by the Colonial Secretary.

In this order "competent authority" means the Commissioner of Police and includes any other officer appointed from time to time under any Ordinance for the time being in force to control immigration.

### U.S. KEEPING WATCHFUL EYE ON PACIFIC

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The United States is keeping a watchful eye on the Pacific as mounting indications point to a new Japanese military move in the near future.

Mr. Sumner Welles' statement on Japan's future course of action is taken in Washington to indicate plainly that a Japanese attack on Russia's back door or a move southward to the N.E.I. would be of direct concern to the U.S. — International News Service.

## Russians Fall Back On Network Of Defences

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

WHILE THE IMMEDIATE CONSEQUENCES OF THE GERMAN DRIVE WHICH SMASHED ITS WAY ACROSS THE DVINA RIVER, IN LATVIA, CANNOT YET BE PERCEIVED, THOUGH IT PRESENTS A NEW THREAT TO THE RUSSIAN DEFENCES, MOSCOW CLAIMS THAT THE NAZI DIVISIONS SUFFERED GRIEVOUS LOSSES IN THE PUSH.

While the crossing of the Dvina is another attack on the defences of Russia proper, the Soviet Defence Commissariat, reporting violent fighting on the southern bank of the Dvina, in the Dvinsk-Jakobstadt sectors, says the Germans only succeeded in crossing the river after throwing in all their reserves and suffering heavy losses.

Fierce fighting is now reported on the north bank of the Dvina, where the Russians are launching counter-attack after counter-attack on the seriously depleted Nazi forces.

Every air and land branch of the Russian war machine has been thrown into action in the great battle east of Minsk, and Moscow quarters state that immense losses have been inflicted on the Nazis.

On all other fronts the Red Army has stemmed the Nazi drive, according to a Defence Commissariat bulletin.

Meanwhile there has been no news of the outcome of the naval battle in the Gulf of Finland, which awakened Helsinki residents early in the morning.

### Helsinki Bombed

The continuous roar of guns could be heard plainly till noon but there is no information on the result of the clash, which is believed to have occurred between a Nazi squadron heading for the main northern Russian naval base at Kronstadt and the Russian Baltic Fleet.

Following the naval battle, Red planes attacked Helsinki for the first time in eight days, the alarm lasting 20 minutes. — International News Service.

### Policeman Runs Amok

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")  
A CHINESE CONSTABLE OF THE SHANGHAI SETTLEMENT POLICE YESTERDAY MORNING RAN AMOK, KILLING A CHINESE MALE AND WOUNDING ANOTHER CHINESE MALE AND A WOMAN.

After completing his gruesome task the murderer turned his gun on himself and committed suicide. — International News Service.

### ITALIANS SURRENDER

IT WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED IN NAIROBI YESTERDAY THAT GENERAL GAZZERA, SUPREME ITALIAN COMMANDER IN ABYSSINIA, IS SENDING ENVOYS TO ARRANGE THE SURRENDER OF ALL ITALIAN FORCES IN GALLASIDAMO PROVINCE.

In the area for which the East Africa Force is responsible there are now only about 600 Italians in the field. They are inland from Assab.

So, with General Gazzera's surrender, it can be said that the campaign undertaken by the East Africa Force has concluded. — Reuter.

that Russian prospects of holding the Line are unfavourable because of the heavy losses the Red Army has already incurred in East Poland and the Baltic States.

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## R.A.F. READY IN THE FAR EAST

"OUR AIR FORCE will certainly strike hard and the provision of air bases in Burma and all parts of the Far East enables the Commander-in-Chief to swing the weight of the R.A.F. where it can be used to best advantage.

### BOMBAY RIOT PLOT UNEARTHED

Conspiracy to commit murder and rioting and to stab persons of a rival community, is claimed to have been unearthed by the police who connect the recent disturbances in Bombay with this plot.

The police arrested 20 persons who are alleged to be members of the gang, which, after being supplied with drink and knives, were instructed to stab unwary pedestrians.

It is believed that these arrests and the seizure of blood-stained

"Burma is building minesweepers and patrol vessels, while more equipment, including modern mechanised fighting vehicles, is arriving.

"Expansion of the Army has been considerable."

These are leading points from a broadcast by Lt-Gen. D. K. McLeod, General Officer Commanding in Burma, on the eve of defence exercises.

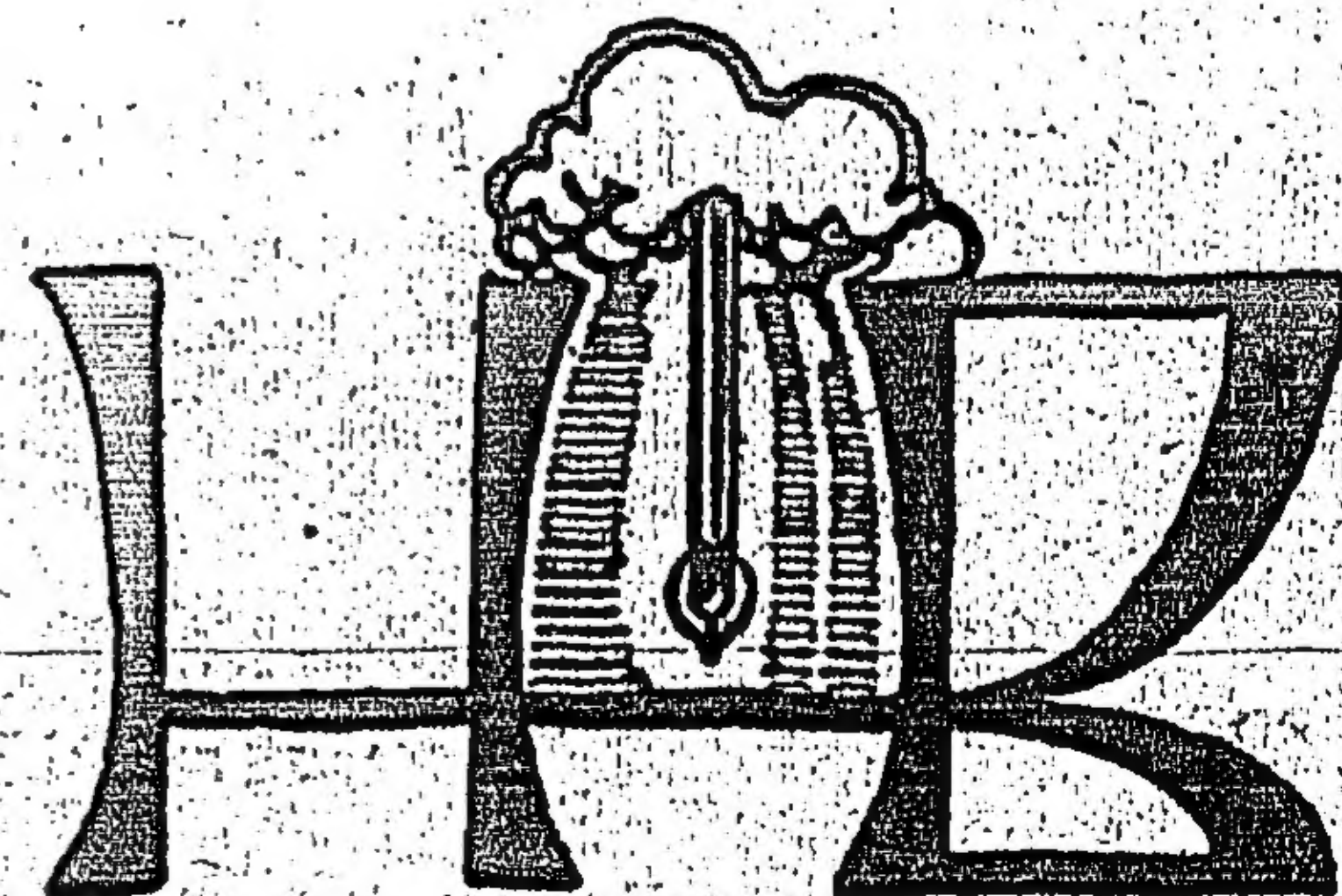
He said men, munitions and mechanised equipment had been arriving for some time, building up the Burma defences "in order that we may fulfil a role in the general scheme of Imperial defence."

Many additional aerodromes had been prepared and made ready to receive additional squadrons from Malaya and India. — Reuter.

knives and clothes will throw further light on the recent communal disturbances.

Since the city has been quiet and free from disturbances for some days, the authorities have relaxed the curfew. — Reuter.

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— AND THEN TRY!



# RUSSIAN TACTICS OF DEFENCE IN DEPTH

## Creating Unbearable Conditions

"THE TIMES," in an editorial, says that nothing could have been clearer than M. Stalin's call to the Russian people to fight to the finish for the freedom of the country.

The dispersal of Russian forces in the vast area wherever operations are extended, and the endurance and resilience of the Russian peasant provide an admirable background for guerilla warfare behind the advancing enemy lines.

Like the Chinese resistance against Japan, this is a war not only of the armies but of the whole people.

M. Stalin's appeal to workers and peasants to hasten production, fight to the utmost and, if compelled to yield ground, to destroy everything useful to the enemy, shows the spirit and determination which will ultimately defeat the weight of resistance Hitler's thrust at the heart of Russia.

It deserves every kind of encouragement and reinforcement which the resources of Britain and the United States can furnish.

The "Daily Telegraph" points out it was the first time in five years the people of Russia and Europe had heard Stalin.

### Stern Candour

Not less impressive than the spirit of his leadership was the stern candour which set forth the success of Hitler's armies.

He showed that he and the Government and Command are working out shrewd plans to defeat the Nazi war methods, and he proclaimed the war for freedom.

His full response to Mr. Churchill's words and to the United States Government's declaration of readiness to help, ranges the forces in action.

Stalin has the right to claim that the Russians are fighting heroically for even Berlin admits it.

### Defence in Depth

The enormous area of the fighting is evidence of the value of the Russian tactics of defence in depth, and these have won priceless time.

Eighteen months of peace, while Germany was at war, should have given Russian industry time to build up reserves of all kinds.

Stalin has no illusions and will allow his people none on the extent of the efforts and sacrifices demanded.

TO CREATE FOR THE ENEMY UNBEARABLE CONDITIONS IS THE AIM. THE RUSSIANS HAVE DONE THIS BEFORE AND CAN DO IT AGAIN.

The "Manchester Guardian" says Stalin spoke with confidence of the future but it was the confidence of a leader who has faith in the immense moral forces that sustain the patriotism of Russia.

### Common Cause

He links the cause of the people of Russia with the common cause of the world, and Stalin sees the conflict in its true light as a conflict not between Nazism and

Communism but between Hitler and peoples resolved to foil his attempt to dominate the world.

The "News Chronicle" say Stalin gave detailed instructions for action in case of retreat.

The Russians, like the Chinese, are to scorch the earth and hamper the enemy behind the lines. The Germans will find devastation in front and determined saboteurs in the rear.

Stalin also referred to the readiness of Britain and America to render aid. The outcome of the momentous struggle may turn eventually on the thoroughness of that aid. — Reuter.

## STAND ON COMMON GROUND

Broadcasting to America yesterday, the Australian Premier, Mr. R. G. Menzies, said that in matters that count, Americans and Australians stand on common ground.

Australians, he said, daily were becoming increasingly sure that Americans will never tolerate Nazi world domination.

The speed of victory was immeasurably increased and the evil consequences reduced by American aid.

Therefore America, like Australia, had a trust to discharge not only for those living today but those coming after.

It was the privilege of Australians to fight for freedom, not only Australian freedom but America's and the world's. — Reuter.

### H.K. APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments etc. are gazetted:—

Mr. J. C. Fitz-Henry to be Chief Officer, Fire Brigade.

Mr. J. P. Reeves to be a Deputy Immigration Officer.

Dr. K. H. Uttley to be Senior Medical Officer.

Mr. S. Yano, resumed charge of the Consulate-General for Japan.

Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields to act as Chairman of the Essential Commodities Board.

Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields to act as a Member of the Shipping Control Board.

### LUFTWAFFE BUSY ELSEWHERE

Once again no German bombs were dropped on England yesterday up to 6 p.m. says an Air Ministry report quoted by Reuter.

## AMERICA WITHDRAWS CONSULS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Acceding to the Nazi Government demand, the U.S. State Department announces that the U.S. will withdraw three U.S. consular representatives in Denmark.

The German demand was an extension of the recent request that the U.S. recall consular representatives in Germany as well as Nazi-occupied countries.

The U.S. has already notified Berlin it must close Nazi consulates and other Government agencies in U.S. territory by July 15.

The U.S. Government also recently withdrew diplomatic recognition from three members of the Danish Legation in Washington because of their opposition to the pro-American policy of the Danish Minister, M. Henrik de Kauffman, who has been repudiated by the Nazi-controlled Danish Government but is still recognised by Washington as the qualified diplomatic representative of Denmark. — International News Service.

## WHITE RUSSIANS IN BRITAIN SUPPORT STALIN

M. Ivan Maisky, Soviet Ambassador in London, is receiving hundreds of letters from White Russians in Britain offering their services in the war against Germany and also enclosing their life savings to assist the Russian cause.

The money has been returned but the names recorded ready for the time when it is possible to use their services. — Reuter.

ded diplomatic representative of Denmark. — International News Service.

## NORWEGIAN WOMAN BRAVES NAZI FURY

A REMARKABLE document has been smuggled out of Norway. In it a woman, aged seventy, risks Nazi reprisals—she still lives in Oslo—by pouring the most bitter scorn on German rule.

Ella Anker is her name. Her husband, a shipbuilding, died recently. He was a friend of King Haakon, at whose side he was during the fighting in Norway.

The document, printed in one of the secret patriot papers which the Nazis, in spite of their efforts, cannot suppress, is a letter to Olga Bjoner, the most hated woman in Norway.

Olga Bjoner is president of the women's section of the Farmers' Association. She has gone over to the Quislings. No other leading member of the association has turned traitor.

"Never before have Norwegians stood so united as today," writes Mrs. Anker. "Never has Norway been so deeply esteemed as to-day, when every peasant and every worker listens to the London broadcast as he does to his own heart-beat. 'A new era indeed!'"

### A Country's Ideals

"When Norwegians help the enemy to destroy our free institutions and all Christian ideals."

"When Norwegians help the enemy to set aside the free rule of the people which has raised our country to the greatest spiritual height in its history and to a position of material well-being beyond all expectations."

"When Norwegians help the enemy to enforce a new order against the people's will, with the support of the German bayonets, with imprisonment and threats and torture of our countrymen."

### "Most Painful"

"A Government which claims to be working for Norway's freedom and independence, but which in fact takes away the freedom of the people, kills the people's soul, destroys the free Supreme Court, threatens the free universities, schools, and colleges, and seeks to crush our people into the same Prussian mould which has transformed the country of Goethe into an Asiatic slave State."

"This is what you dare to offer to our great people."

"Most painful of all is to see the traitors cover their work of tyranny and destruction with the

cloak of St. Olav, and hand over our sacred possessions to the Quislingist rogue's comedy with its rabble."

"The sacred saga flame still burns in the people. Through battle and hardship in company with all other oppressed people, we will create a new Europe with freedom and equality for all, great and small."

## EARTHQUAKE IN ARGENTINA

An earthquake shock which rocked the province of Mendoza, in western Argentina, on Thursday resulted in three deaths and 50 houses wrecked, says Reuter from Buenos Aires.

## AUSTRALIA WAR FISCAL POLICY

THE AUSTRALIAN Government's war-time fiscal policy was outlined yesterday by Mr. A. W. Fadden, Chairman of the Economic Cabinet.

Mr. Fadden said this balanced programme of taxation, by borrowing from the public and from the banking system and in conjunction with the Commonwealth Bank, was keeping the spending power on all goods and services produced at around the existing price level.

Mr. Fadden said Government would risk some upward pressure on prices by taking large advances from the Commonwealth Bank.

"Under war conditions we have made considerable expansion of credit, and the Commonwealth Bank's business is to assess and take into account

## STORY OF INDIAN'S COURAGE

Great satisfaction is felt in Indian Army circles over the posthumous award of the V.C. to Subadar Richal Ram.

To close the announcement of the award of a second V.C. to the Indian Army, comes a story of high courage and gallant leadership at Keren by another Indian officer, 2/Lt. Moha Siddiq, of the 11th Sikh Regiment, who has been awarded the M.C.

He led a company on March 15 against the Samanna Ridge. Despite intense machine-gun fire and mortar fire, he captured the "left bump," one of three prominent features on the ridge.

His position was now being heavily shelled but disregarding it, he organised fire support to the companies attacking the middle and right bumps.

The attack on the middle bump was repulsed and the company commander wounded. Siddiq was then put in command and in leading a night attack he was twice wounded when close to an enemy hangar. — Reuter.

## SPEEDING UP ON BURMA RD.

A DETERMINED DRIVE IS BEING MADE TO SPEED UP THE TRANSPORT OF VITAL SUPPLIES TO CHINA VIA THE BURMA ROAD.

As a step towards this end, as from next week all highway administrations and engineering bureaux throughout China, which hitherto have been under various departments, are to be placed under the centralised control of the Transport Control Board of the National Military Council. — Reuter.

## INDEPENDENCE DAY IN SHANGHAI

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"] In accordance with Anglo-American unity, Shanghai Britons joined with Americans in celebrating the Fourth of July in grand style.

The British Consul-General, Mr. A. H. George, and the British Press Attaché, Mr. J. H. Alexander, spoke on the radio last night. — International News Service.



# BREMEN BOMBED FROM 50 FT.

## Daring Daylight Raids Over Germany By Blenheims

### Precision Bombing By R.A.F.

**R.A.F. BLENHEIM BOMBERS CARRIED OUT DAYLIGHT PRECISION BOMBING FROM A LOW LEVEL ON BREMEN YESTERDAY MORNING WITHIN AN HOUR OR TWO OF AN ATTACK ON THE PORT DURING THE CONTINUED R.A.F. NIGHT OFFENSIVE, IN WHICH ESSEN, HOME OF THE KRUPPS WORKS, WAS ALSO HEAVILY ATTACKED.**

An Air Ministry communique, issued in London last night, said a large factory in the dock area was bombed from a low level, some aircraft coming down to 50 feet.

Direct hits were obtained, these being followed by fires and explosions, while a goodsyard and railway junction north-west of the city were also attacked.

A goods train and aircraft on an aerodrome were machine-gunned.

The communique also reports that Blenheims bombed targets in the Frisian island of Nordeney, where barracks and gun positions were raked with machine-gun fire.

#### Nine Germans Downed

Five bombers are missing.

IT IS ALSO LEARNED IN LONDON THAT R.A.F. FIGHTERS ESCORTED MORE BLENHEIM BOMBERS IN AN OFFENSIVE SWEEP OVER NORTHERN FRANCE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

Details are not yet available but reports so far received show nine German fighters were destroyed and four British fighters are missing.—Reuter.

#### Fantastic R.A.F. Daring

Sweeping low over the rooftops of Bremen the R.A.F. bombers discharged their loads on several important targets, states the Air Ministry news service.

High explosive bombs were dropped from 50 feet and set afire factories and buildings among the docks.

ONE PILOT FLEW UNDER A HIGH-TENSION CABLE AND ANOTHER BLENHEIM CUT SOME TELEGRAPH WIRES AND BROUGHT STRANDS OF THEM BACK ON HIS TAIL WHEEL.

The attack on Nordeney was also carried out from a low level, with precision daring.

Large buildings were hit and black smoke rolled over the town.

#### Bag Increased

Blenheim bombers, which flew over northern France yesterday afternoon with a powerful escort of fighters, attacked an important power station and chemical works, as well as a railway junction near Bethune.

A later announcement by the Air Ministry reveals that 10 German fighters were destroyed by our fighters during yesterday afternoon's sweep over Northern France.—Reuter.

Report on good authority from Rome affirms rechristening of Mussolini's quondam C-in-C as "Marshal Disgraziati."

### FEAT OF KING'S OWN DISCLOSED

It is now disclosed that the King's Own Regiment was flown from Karachi to Iraq when Raschid Ali's rebels heavily invested the R.A.F. Station at Habbaniyah, where, with the permission of the rebel government, women and children had taken refuge.

The battalion landed at Habbaniyah and helped the tiny normal garrison drive back the enemy.

The rebels were actually being pursued when the relieving force accompanying the Regent arrived and the rebellion collapsed.

Captain P. H. J. Wier and Private John McDermott were awarded the Military Cross and Military Medal respectively, for conspicuous gallantry on May 6 in actions in which the regiment fought.—Reuter.

Three million six hundred thousand letters, postcards, and packages despatched from America to foreign ports have been lost at sea since the outbreak of war. Eight vessels carrying mails were sunk.

### ABORTIVE AIR RAID ON MALTA

British fighters intercepted and drove off a large formation of aircraft which tried to raid Malta yesterday morning, it is officially stated.

One enemy fighter was shot down and another probably destroyed, whereas the defence suffered no losses.—Reuter.

## DR. SAYDAM ON TURK PACT WITH THE GERMANS

**HEAVY JAMMING, especially during references to Mr. Churchill and Turkish relations with Britain, interfered with the Prime Minister, Dr. Saydam's speech broadcast from the Turkish National Assembly yesterday on the new German-Turkish Pact.**

Dr. Saydam declared the treaty was not the artificial requirement of a passing phase but an essential document which gives complete expression to a natural and continuous situation.

"The atmosphere of sincerity and reciprocal goodwill during the negotiations can be cited as strong justification for my words." Britain's moderation and foresight in handling the Iraqi situation and her guarantee of Iraqi independence were worthy of Turkish praise and congratulation.

#### "A Nation Of Gentlemen"

Turkey's attitude of neutrality in the Russo-German conflict conformed to her treaty obligations and was bound to be followed from the point of view of Turkey's interests.

Closing his reference to Britain's attitude towards the Turkish-German Treaty, Dr. Saydam described it as a unique demonstration of confidence from a nation of gentlemen. Dr. Saydam added that the great crisis sweeping the face of the earth had now reached the borders of Turkey, whose far-seeing attitude at the beginning of the year had been justified by recent events.

In the light of those good results, relations between Turkey and the practical revival of Turco-German friendship, came first.

In reiterating their earnest wishes that the future line-up in the Balkans would be based on the principle of the independence of those countries, Turkey was in the possession of satisfactory indications that this would be so.—Reuter.

Encouragement to American children to attend week-day "Sunday School" is being tried out in eighteen schools in New York. New law permits one hour off weekly from ordinary school for outside religious instruction.

Time fixed is 2 p.m. Wednesday. So far, number of children who have marched out to churches and synagogues has not exceeded 3,500 out of 14,000.

To attract churchmen began giving lapel buttons to "good" children. School officials accused them of proselytising, stopping it. Religiousists now putting on juvenile religious plays, hoping to appeal to dramatic instincts.

### BRITONS ESCAPE FROM IRISH INTERNMENT CAMP

Nine British internees recently escaped from the Curragh camp, in Eire, and three have since been recaptured.

An official inquiry into the circumstances of the escape is being held, stated the Eireann Government Information Bureau on behalf of the Defence Department last night.—Reuter.

### WOP PRISONERS IN BOMBAY

Italian prisoners of war, numbering 1,345, including officers, have arrived in Bombay, says a Reuter message from the city.

### FAIRY TALES FROM THAI

Reports in the Thai press of the export of enormous quantities of scrap iron and rubber to Japan have attracted attention in commercial circles in Bangkok.

Leading businessmen with connections with foreign countries, especially Malaya, the N.E.I. and the Philippines, point out that reports of this type are likely to create an unfortunate impression abroad.

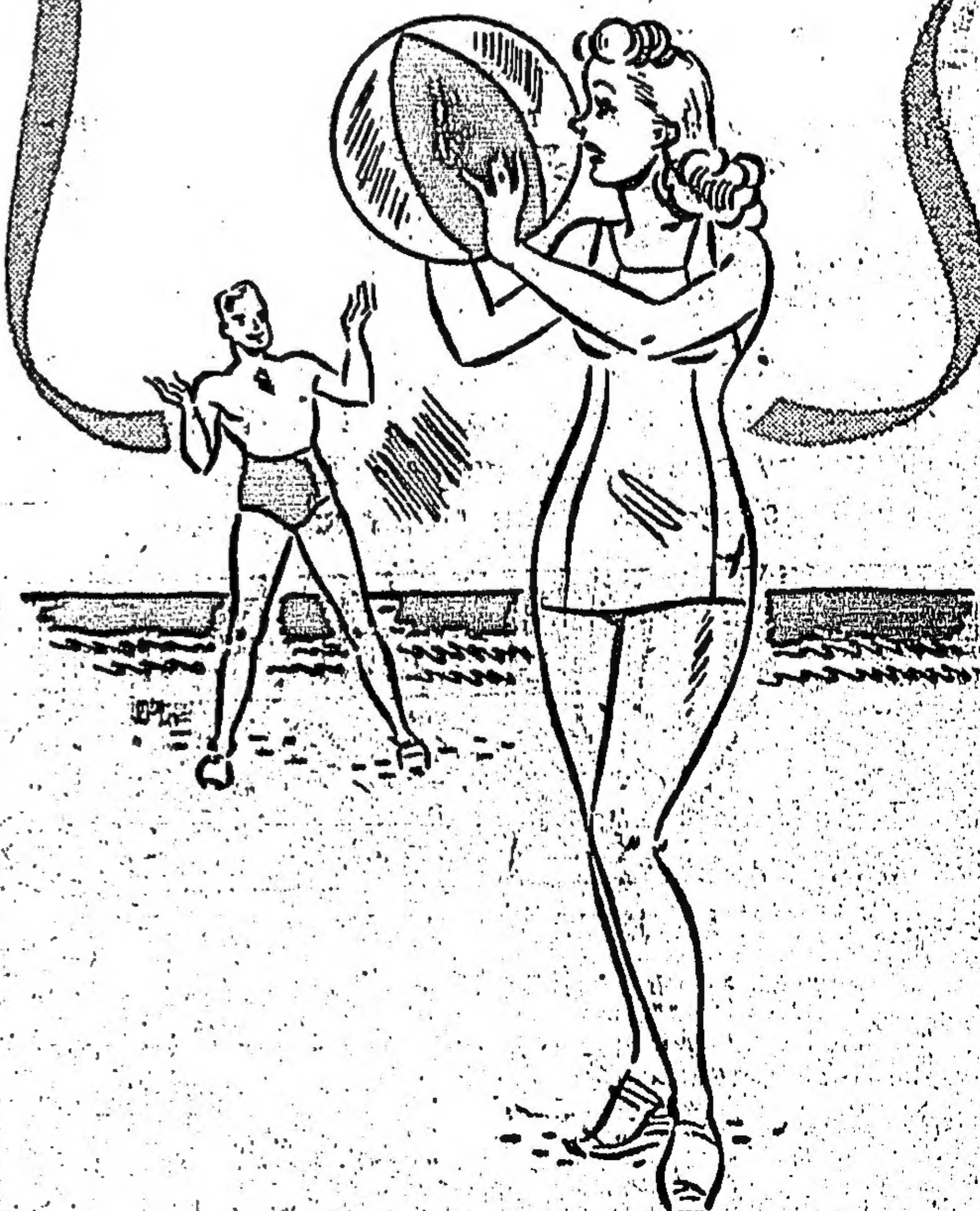
They maintain that exports of 100,000 tons of scrap iron and 200,000 tons of rubber from Thailand to Japan are utterly impossible and therefore cannot be true.

Nevertheless, stories of such exports, if believed abroad, would be harmful to Thailand's interests.—Reuter.

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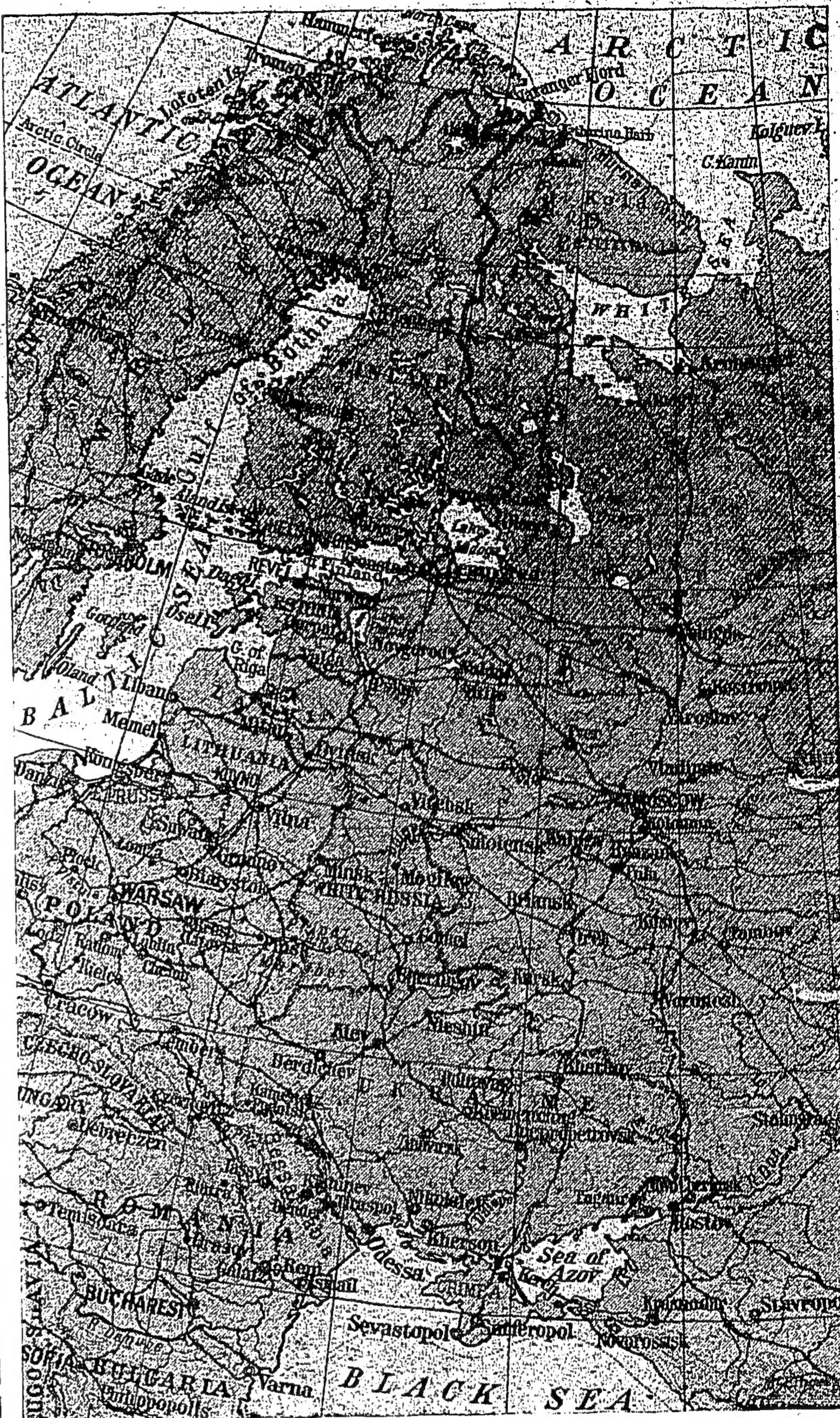
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## RINGS ROUND ITALIANS

More than 50 enemy aircraft were shot down by one R.A.F. fighter squadron during ten weeks in Greece. One flight was commanded by a young Englishman with the D.F.C., who has destroyed 16 Italian machines in aerial combat.

Flying a Hurricane fighter for the first time, in combat, within a few minutes he had shot down one of Italy's latest fighters.

A cool customer is a sergeant pilot of the same squadron who, when engaged in a duel with one of Italy's cannon-firing aeroplane fighters, proceeded to compare the speed and manoeuvrability of his Hurricane with that of the enemy aircraft.

Now, he thought, is the time to test out my aircraft against the Italian, and gain some useful information. He must have astonished the Italian pilot by making rings round him and indulging in aerobatics before getting on the Italian's tail and shooting him down in flames.

## LEE THEATRE

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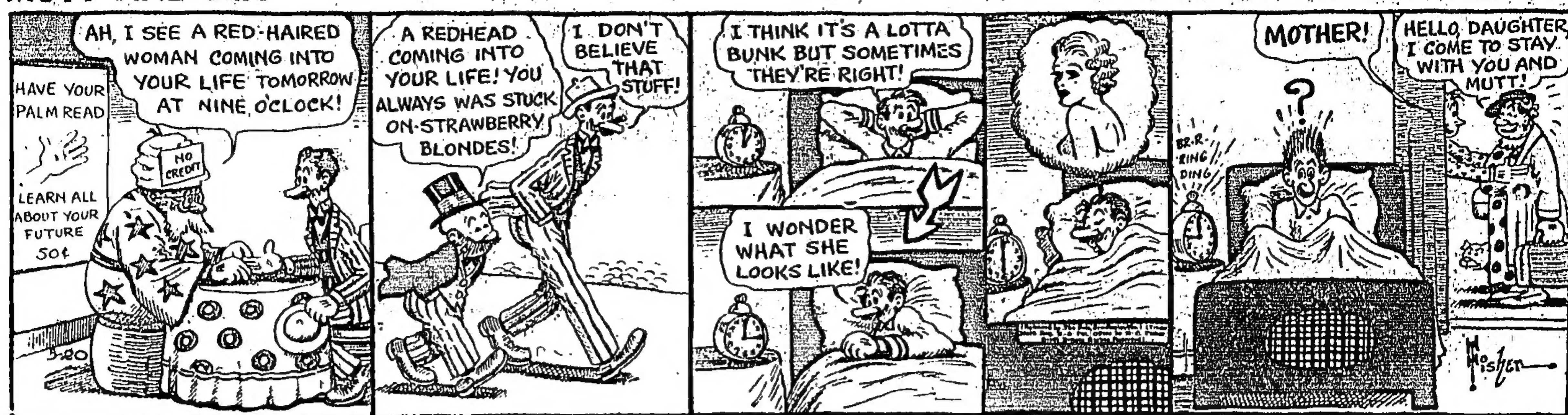
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### 'GLAMOUR' PASTE JEWELLERY IS IN DEMAND

There is a boom in fashion jewellery. Women want it to replace valuables safely stored in bank vaults, writes Corisande.

A new industry for the manufacture of necklets, bracelets and so forth has been started in England. Quite a brisk little export trade is being built up.

War-time restrictions have resulted in a scarcity of paste ornaments. Imitation pearls have soared in price. Some are made in this country, but the nacre used for coating purposes came from Poland. When stocks are exhausted no more will be available.

The new fashion jewellery is made from a plastic material.

The demand, it is said, is for something that looks glamorous and is in bright colours.

Necklets show bell-shaped flowers in orchid shades, in pastel colours, in navy, leaf green and primrose, with gold centres dangling from plastic chains.

Similar necklets, with bracelets and fobs to match, are made in a rose leaf design.

Bunches of coloured flowers are attached to double chains forming half a necklet.

The brighter the colours the greater the demand.

### "PICK UP" AIR MAIL

The 'pick up' air mail and freight services operated by All American Aviation have been such a success that the company is applying for permission to extend the system to seven more routes, serving some 250 cities and towns in New England, New York State, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Aeroplane on the "pick up" service lower a cable, to which the mail bag for delivery is attached, on approaching an aerodrome. The bag is released so that it falls at the required spot.

Mail for collection is suspended between two vertical posts on the aerodrome, and is picked up by a hook suspended from the aircraft.

The company already serves 140 cities and towns in Pennsylvania, New York State, Ohio, West Virginia, Delaware and Kentucky. Single-engine Stinson aircraft are employed.

The advantage of the "pick up" system was illustrated last year when floods caused complete road and rail transport dislocation and rendered aerodromes unusable. The "pick up" air services were maintained as usual.

### 'AVOIDING ACTION'

"We took strong avoiding action." What does this constantly recurring phrase mean?

Probably people visualise aircraft violently sky-rocketing in wild aerobatics, abrupt turns and falls, straining dives and climbs, with pilots and crews thrown from side to side as the aeroplanes pitch about.

This is far from reality, as an air-gunner of a Coastal Command night bomber explained when he described the incredibly agile yet smooth, clean manoeuvres of a bomber avoiding anti-aircraft fire.

He knows about evasive tactics, because very movement of the aircraft is magnified and felt much more in the tail—and this gunner has been in scores of heavily-challenged raids.

"There is no jerkiness, and there are no breath-taking stunts in avoiding action," he said. "Even in the tail, when the pilot swings the aircraft over in a steep bank, then off into a side-slip, the movement is as smooth as in practice manoeuvres at home."

"My pilot is A.I. I seldom feel slipping in my seat—and, to a gunner, that's the sure sign of a good pilot. In seemingly slow arcs, the aircraft changes direction in perpendicular turns, so that I am looking right down the wing at the target, then into a steep glide and over into a similar turn the other way. Centrifugal force keeps me anchored in my seat."

"Flaming onions" and tracers come up. The pilot watches them closely, and when he sees tracer shells he takes avoiding action not only to escape them but to throw out the sound predictors on the ground.

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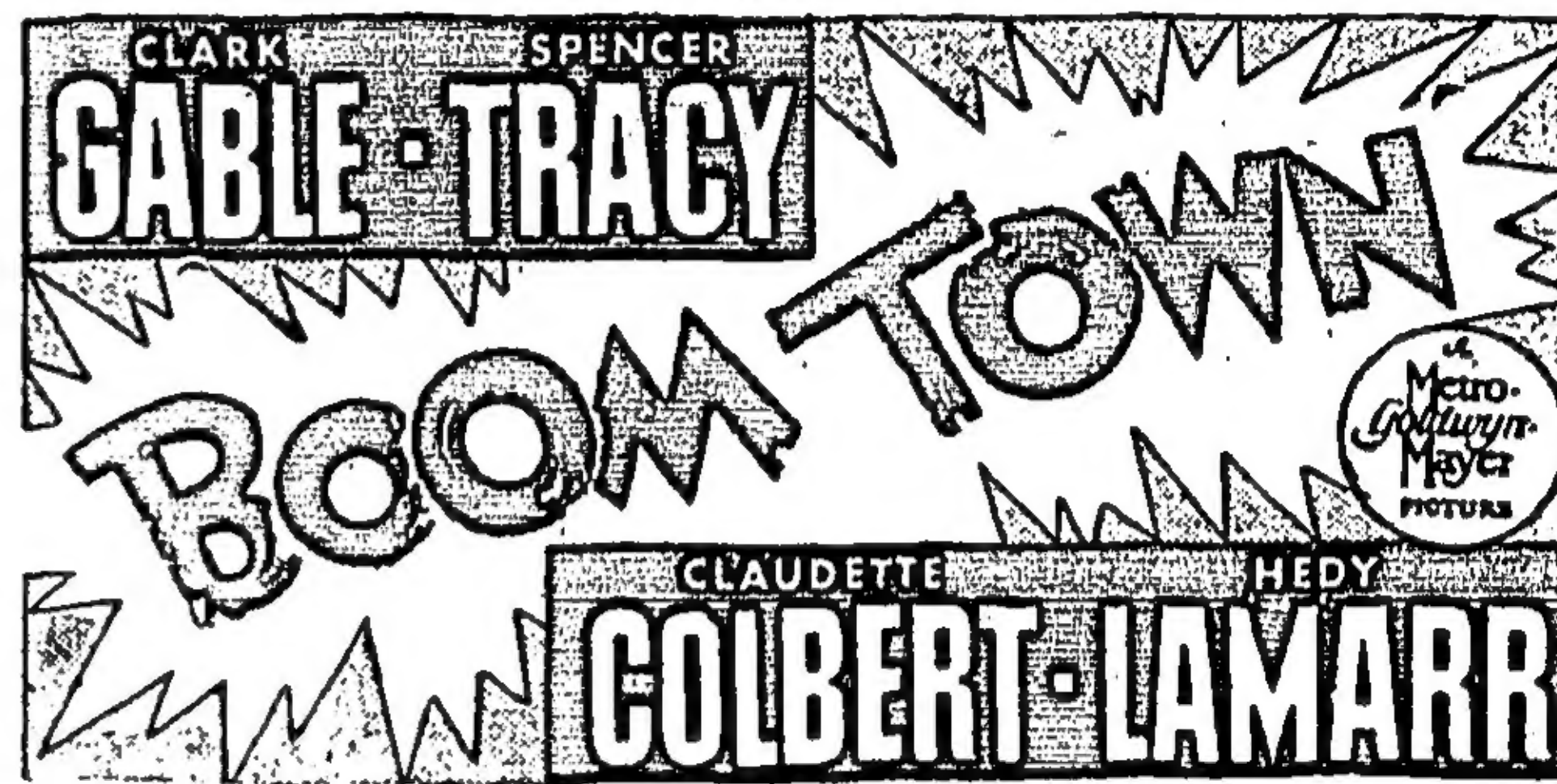
South African airmen recently released from Eritrea tell interesting stories of their captivity.

One captain, the son of a well known South African M.P., was confined for three months in a ten foot square cell at Fort Cadorna. Prisoners were kept in their cells for fourteen hours a day. When some failed in an attempt to escape because a sand-bag blow did not knock out the sentry, they were punished by confinement for 22 hours out of 24 for three days.

The captain concerned, devised two schemes to escape, the second being at Adi Ugri, where they had almost completed a tunnel when they were released. "The first night of captivity was the best," said the Captain, "for we spent it playing contract bridge with officers of the Italian Air Force. We did not know each other's language but we signalled the calls with our fingers."

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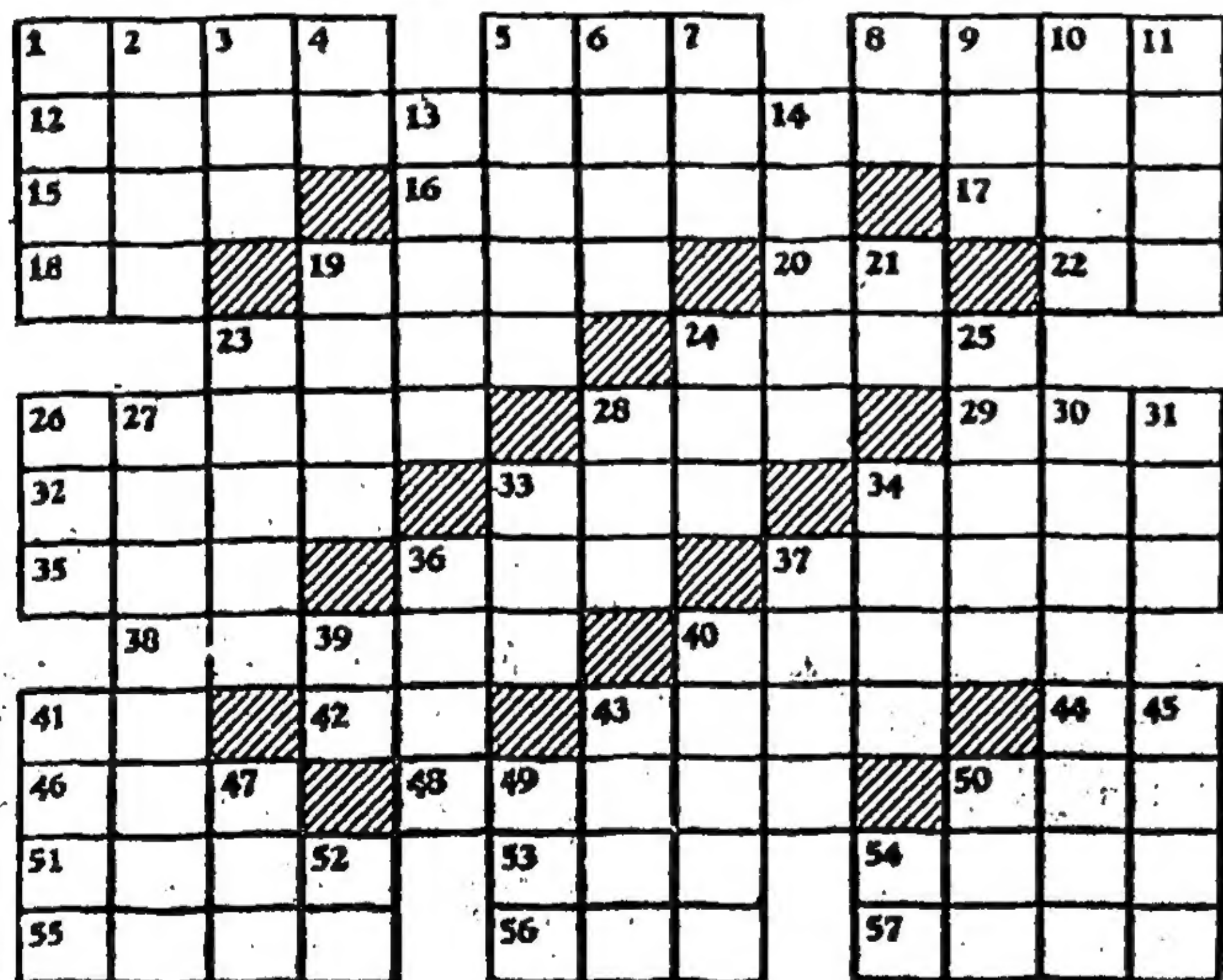
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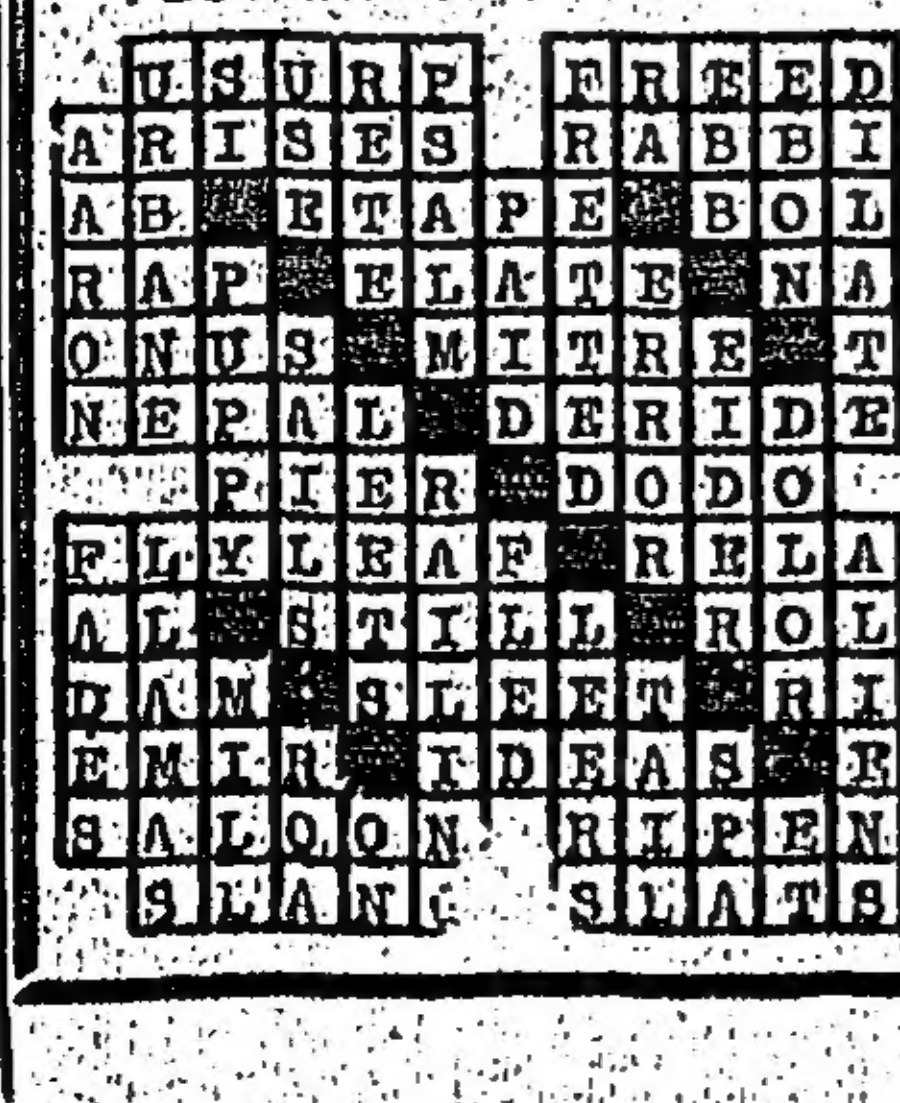
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  - 5 Possesses
  - 8 Eons
  - 12 One skilled in throwing his voice
  - 15 Poetic
  - 16 Hindustan
  - 18 Babylonian abode of the dead
  - 17 Scotch for "no"
  - 18 To accomplish
  - 19 Greek war god
  - 20 Printer's measure
  - 22 Above
  - 23 Hurried
  - 24 Glacial ridges
  - 26 To leap playfully
  - 28 Skill
  - 29 Newt
  - 32 Minor prophet
  - 33 Frozen water
  - 34 Auction
  - 35 Conjunction
  - 36 Insect
  - 37 Excessive
  - 38 To rule
  - 40 Ravels at the edge
  - 41 Pronoun
  - 42 Note of scale
  - 43 To strike

- 44 Toward
- 46 Friendly hint
- 48 African rodent
- 50 Wooden pin
- 51 Former Russian ruler
- 53 Fish eggs
- 54 To take spiral shape
- 55 At this place
- 56 To interweave
- 57 Altar end of a church

- VERTICAL**
- 1 Greedy
  - 2 City in Nevada
  - 3 Conclusion
  - 4 Preposition
  - 5 Employed
  - 6 Exclamation of sorrow
  - 7 The sun
  - 8 Symbol for gold
  - 9 Hoisting machine

- 10 Son of Isaac
- 11 Stride
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- 14 Search
- 19 Imitates
- 21 Colloquial mother
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- 24 Crude metal
- 25 Prepared
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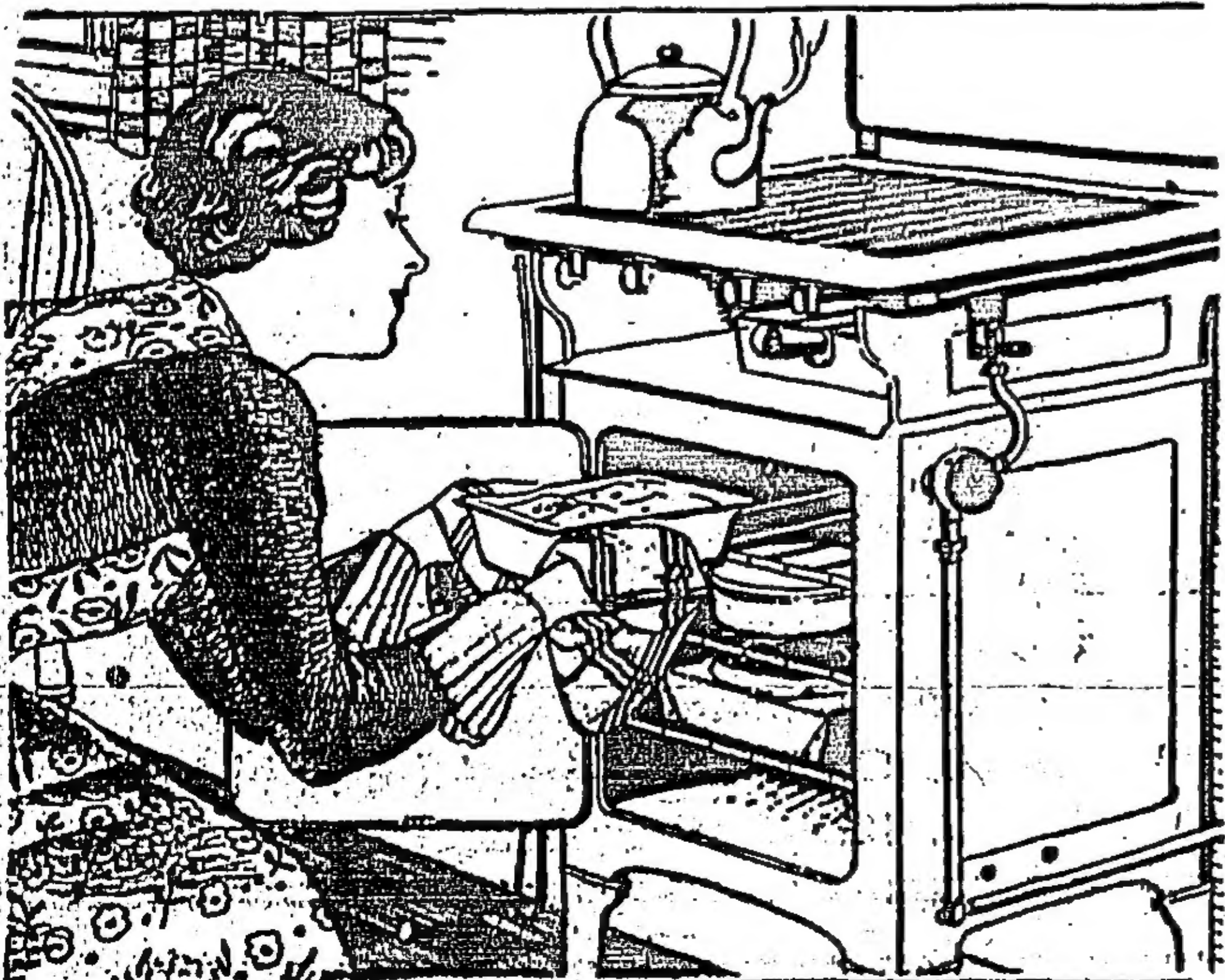
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# CENTRAL CHINA NOW MERE JAPANESE PROVINCE

(By Frederick B. Opper)

A VISIT TO NANKING, Capital of the Japanese-sponsored Wang Ching-wei regime, serves to impress the visitors with the fact that in everyday life Japanese occupation of China means Japanese domination.

There is developing a marked outward similarity between the Capital of Occupied-China and Hsinking, Capital of Japan's puppet state of Manchukuo.

Hsinking actually is a far more prepossessing City now than is Nanking, the Chinese Capital from which the Government of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek fled in December of 1937 on the approach of Japanese troops.

Hsinking is a new City, but along wide newly laid out boulevards, across what was once a virtually empty plain. Nanking, on the other hand, is an old City, reconstructed by the Chinese Government, but bearing the scars of war. Damage is to be seen everywhere. Half-destroyed buildings stand on every street.

The shells of Government structures, private residences and business houses front the main avenues with very little rebuilding in evidence.

It is true, however, that the destruction is less noticeable than was the case two years ago when the writer first visited the city, for then piles of debris lined the streets and in the interim the more gaping ruins have been torn down and jerry-built shops taken their places.

### Only A Dream

Also, two years ago, the Government of Mr. Wang was only a dream in the minds of a few Japanese generals. Mr. Wang was still negotiating with the Japanese and no "central" Government had made its appearance. At that time Japanese troops thronged the streets, directing traffic acting as guards and in general giving Nanking the appearance of a Japanese garrison town.

It is still a garrison City for the invaders, but in the meantime Mr. Wang has organized a government of sorts and has gathered, by one means or another, an army. These troops now handle the patrol duties of a civilian nature in the central part of the City which formerly fell to the lot of the Japanese garrison, although Japanese soldiers are still in abundant evidence.

One is never out of sight of groups of Japanese troops lounging along the sidewalks, guarding Japanese structures or marching in formation throughout the City. Even Japanese sailors are a frequent sight. And Japanese civilians are to be seen everywhere.

### Japanese Everywhere

One of the most interesting aspects of a visit to Nanking, however, is the train ride of five hours up the Yangtze Valley. Before the foreigner is permitted to buy his ticket (in Japanese military yen; incidentally, despite the recent issuance of Wang Ching-wei currency) he must have a pass issued by the Japanese authorities in Shanghai. Japanese troops stand guard at the station with fixed bayonets, and, if what the writer saw is customary, seemingly think it not at all inconsistent with protestations of undying affection between Japan and China to shove and slap Chinese hurrying through the gates. The train itself is Japanese-built and the passengers in first and second class are at least half Japanese. A special section at one end of the second-class car is reserved for Japanese Army officials and it is full to capacity. Announcements are made in Japanese and in the dining car waitresses speak Japanese (many of the employees, if not most, are Japanese or Koreans).

### Small Part

Once arrived in Nanking, the foreign newspaperman is made further aware that Japan is in the saddle. The hotel is full of Japanese officers and he is taken in tow by representatives of the Japanese Press Bureau. Chinese, in fact, are apt to play a very small part in his stay, although the Japanese profess themselves reluctant to be too much in the foreground.

During the recent ceremonies over the first anniversary of the founding of the Wang Government they apparently made a conscious effort to remain out of sight.

Mr. Wang made a radio-cast speech in the presence of leading officials of his regime, and, although the room was crowded with civilians and Army officers, the only noticeable Japanese present were the ubiquitous photographers. Later, however, when Mr. Wang reviewed his troops high ranking Japanese Army and Navy officers outnumbered their Chinese colleagues on the platform.

### Shortcomings Admitted

The Japanese, incidentally, discuss these Chinese puppet troops with mixed feelings. They like the propaganda value of them, although they are reluctant to have them given too free a rein.

It is also difficult for the Japanese to scoff at the fighting qualities of Chinese troops as they do when discussing the armies of Chiang Kai-shek and in the next breath to explain that Mr. Wang's soldiers have seen the benefits of the peace movement and declare that these men are excellent soldiers.

They explain that they are undergoing training largely at the present time and have not been used to any extent beyond garrisoning captured towns. They have not been used independently under their own officers to any appreciable degree.

### Short Comings

The Japanese, under pressure, will admit the shortcomings of Nanking, both physically and as the nerve centre for the conquest of China.

They take the tack, though, that Rome wasn't built in a day and that, given time, Mr. Wang will win support from the millions and the City will have the look of the Capital of a great Nation.

The foreign observer, however, may be pardoned for wondering if Japan will ever give up without a struggle what she has won by force of arms and whether anything more than the present faint shadow of authority will ever fall across Mr. Wang. Japan all too clearly likes what she has now.

## WEATHER FOR JUNE

Apart from the typhoon at the end of the month, the weather for June did not differ much from the average. There was rather less sunshine and more rain, although five inches of the total rainfall was associated with the typhoon.

The average temperature for the month was 81.7 deg. F. or 0.6 above normal. Maximum temperature of 91.6 occurred on the 28th, minimum of 73.4 on the 2nd. Humidity was 84%. There were 141 hours of bright sunshine, which is 24 hours below normal, but percentage of cloud was average at 78.

Rain fell on 20 days and totalled 25.160 inches, against a June average of 18.231 inches.

There were twelve thunderstorms on seven days, rainfall associated with the storms on the 18th being particularly heavy, nearly 6 inches being recorded in 18 hours.

A waterspout, which is of fairly rare occurrence, was observed in the harbour on the afternoon of the 6th.

Maximum wind velocities were of course associated with the typhoon, 96 m.p.h. in gust was recorded at the Royal Observatory, but 120 m.p.h. was reached

## DINNER FROM WOOD

Back in 1916 Nobel Prize winner Professor Friedrich Bergius found that it is possible to split cellulose (wood pulp) into sugar with powerful acids.

The object of all chemical treatment of wood is to separate the cellulose.

Animals do this in their stomachs, which explains why a goat can eat paper but man cannot.

Allying himself with Professor von Scholler, Bergius proceeded to emulate the cow and the goat.

In other words, the two created huge factory "stomachs" in which they digested wood to obtain sugar.

In 1933 a plant was built with an annual production of 8,000 tons of wood sugar. The news that comes from the Department of Agriculture leaves us to infer that sugar is now produced from wood on a much larger scale.

### No Mystery At All

Out of factory vats or "stomachs" of synthetic plastic comes a mixture of sugars from which yeast and pure glucose fit for human consumption can be prepared. Ferment the glucose and glycerine is obtained—the basis of nitroglycerine. Out of the residues in the "stomachs" fountain-pens, pipe-stems and buttons can be made.

There is no mystery in all this. If there were any sense in doing so, we too could convert a pile of saw-dust into a thousand dinners. The point is that war sometimes does give science an unexpected impetus.

It was military necessity and the desire to achieve self-sufficiency that induced Fritz Haber to devise his synthetic ammonia process and Bergius, Tripsch and Fischer to develop a process for converting coal into gasoline.

It is military necessity, again, that has forced German chemists to solve a crucial food problem so far as they could.

## DOGS OF WAR

Among the canine celebrities of the last war were:

Stubby. Official mascot of the A.E.F., he was decorated as a wounded hero by General Pershing. The only dog to make the trip to France and return with the same organisation, he participated in seventeen engagements.

Bing. "For saving gas and saving a company of American troops from death," this bulldog was granted a soldier's bonus. He saw action on five sectors, was decorated for bravery, and later buried with full military honours.

Philly. She won an overseas stripe, a wound chevron and special mention from President Wilson for her bravery under fire.

## "YOU FEED—BLOTTY VELL"

A GERMAN AIRMAN, MEMBER OF THE CREW OF A HEINKEL SHOT DOWN IN THE NORTH SEA BY H.M.S. GUILLERMOT LAST MONTH, WAS PICKED UP AFTER BALING OUT.

He was taken aboard the warship and was sent to the galley to dry himself. There he sniffed the air between rubs of the towel and then remarked "You feed blotty vell."

The Air Ministry revealed this touching Nazi compliment recently.

at Kai Tak. These figures are easily records for June, the previous maximum being 67 at the Royal Observatory.



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## THAILAND'S POLICY

Japan may be intensely occupied by the real political problems confronting her in the Far East, but it is unlikely that she will lose the opportunity for elaborate ceremonial to-day when ratifications of the peace treaties affecting Thailand, Indo-China and Japan are exchanged in Tokyo. It may be taken for granted, too, that nothing will be omitted which can possibly lead to speculation on whether there is any deeper meaning to the procedure and create the impression that Thailand is more deeply committed to Japan than Thailand's natural goodwill in all the circumstances would automatically imply.

In other circles, there has always been a certain anxiety over Japanese influences in Thailand and it is natural that this should increase to some extent now that she is indebted to Japan, and now that the ability of French Indo-China to maintain the balance of forces round and above the Malay Peninsula is weakened beyond repair.

There is, however, no evidence at all that Thailand is ready to become the tool of Japan in any expansionist ambitions entertained in Tokyo. She has tried to help by becoming a Japanese purchasing agent for several commodities, but concession of naval bases in the Gulf of Siam is a horse of quite a different colour, and, in fact, there has been quite recent reaffirmation of the principles behind the signature between Britain and Thailand of a non-aggression treaty last June.

Thailand, whose people are well educated and of excellent abilities, has always observed a discreet neutrality. What has caused some people to suspect her is her evidently friendly feelings for Japan, with whom she has signed several commercial agreements. Japan has built many of her warships, her young officers often receive their training in the Japanese Navy and growing desires for a strong fleet, joined to her war-time army strength of 400,000 men, have led to questions about where all this was leading. Apart from Thailand's advanced and independent spirit, which naturally attracts our friendship, her attitude is extremely important for our interests in the Far East. It is only a few hundred miles from her capital of Bangkok to



"VIGILANCE": TO-DAY'S PROBLEM PICTURE

## France Under Nazi Rule

An examination of the French newspapers, especially the periodicals, shows how the quick-witted French outwit the German censors.

Everyone in France listens to the B.B.C. broadcasts in French for the news. A publication which has just reached London from France carries in one of its issues a very mild little article about a man who bought a small island off the coast of Africa. With the article, two or three paragraphs in length, is published an unnecessarily large map showing the whole of the African war area. By what of course cannot but be a coincidence, besides the insignificant little island that is a mere dot, every town mentioned in the communiques is shown—a boon to the French who listen-in and enjoy the news of the Italians being treated like skittles in Abyssinia.

A well-known French writer joins in the game. Speaking of a German classic, he says in an article that he has been reading it again but is disappointed at the long time the hero takes to die, whereas English works are full of life and vigour.

Is it also only a strange coincidence that the inimitable Maurice Chevalier, who has been singing for charity, has written two songs whose titles are "Espoir" (Hope) and "L'Arc en Ciel" (the Rainbow)?

Yet another publication prints an article about the important role petrol will play in this war. Perusal of the article leaves no doubt in the mind of the reader as to who has got, and is going to keep, the petrol.

### Pétain Is Popular

Marshal Pétain is still popular in France. The perusal of any French newspaper shows this, and people just out of France confirm the fact. To a people in despair the venerable old man represents something fatherly, and there is

Rangoon, in Burma, and Singapore is within easy flying distance of Southern Thailand. There is no need to emphasise how important to the Empire's war effort is that vast and wealthy trade which goes through Singapore. It leads us to rate highly the independence and goodwill of Thailand, who holds so much of that long, slim peninsula at whose tip is the imperial base.

a feeling that he is trying to shield and help the people of France. Touching letters from children to him are reproduced in French publications. Out of the chaos he stands for probity, for there is nothing dubious about his past, and he is not forgotten as the "hero of Verdun."

The French people, according to competent observers, have not realised how much he is a tool, unconscious of course, of the Germans and of those around him whose only interest is in a German victory if they are not to face many unpleasant contingencies. While the friendly critic acknowledges the good points there is, however, the matter of handing over political refugees to the Germans which it is hard to place on the credit side of the account. Reforms that displease the Germans are not proceeded with. Frenchmen in London ask, how long?

### Do We Know De Gaulle?

M. Maurice Dejean, formerly assistant to M. Coulondre, French Ambassador in Berlin, at the beginning of a lecture at Caxton Hall remarked that all his hearers, of course, knew General de Gaulle. Quite frankly, the French people in our midst have not put de Gaulle "over" to the British public. Beyond the fact that newspapers remind readers he is "head of the Free French Forces," very few know anything else about him. And yet he has two remarkable "mentions" in despatches—one in the last war, the other in this, which prove he is no carpet soldier.

1918: "An officer who has shown the highest moral and intellectual value. On March 2, at the village of Douaumont, when after a terrific bombardment the enemy attacked the battalion from every side, led his company to the counter-attack in a furious hand-to-hand combat, the only solution to the situation compatible in his judgment with military honour. He was seriously wounded in the action. An Officer of the highest order. Two previous wounds and one mention in despatches."

1940: "An admirable leader showing dashing initiative; attacked with his division the bridgehead of Abbeville, firmly held by the enemy. Broke the German resistance and progressed 14 kilometres into the enemy's lines, taking hundreds of prisoners and capturing considerable material."

Who signed these two magnificent testimonials? The first was signed by Marshal Pétain, the second by General Weygand, and it was General Weygand who for his successes as a tank-corps

leader around Laon on May 17, 18 and 19, made de Gaulle a general on the battlefield, the youngest general in the French army, June 2, 1940.

De Gaulle begged his superiors to let him unite all the tanks of the French army into one group, and had his plea been listened to the story to-day might have been a very different one.

### Advice To The "Occupied"

A pamphlet that appears in many forms, is sometimes handwritten, sometimes typed, more often mimeographed or printed, "Avis à l'Occupe" (Advice to the Occupied) is well-known to the German invaders of France.

In 33 numbered paragraphs it presents its counsels to the suffering Frenchman. It tells the Frenchman to be frigidly polite but it teaches him not to lose his sense of proportion and values, for the German is ever the enemy.

International brotherhood of smokers is shown in the paragraph, No. 6: "If he asks you for a light hold out your cigarette. Never since the most distant ages has one ever refused fire, not even to a mortal enemy."

"If they think they are clever in instilling defeatism into your heart by giving concerts in your squares, you are not obliged to go there to listen. Stay at home, or go out into the country and listen to the birds."

Paragraph 12 says: "If you have to speak to a German sentinel outside a Kommandantur, don't take your hat off."

"Abandoned by your State wireless," says paragraph 15, "Abandoned by your newspaper, abandoned by your party, far from your friends and family, learn to think for yourself. But do not forget this—the voice that pretends to encourage and help is the voice of Goebbels. Watch out for German propaganda."

"It is forbidden to lacerate their posters. Be careful not to rub against them if they are wet with rain. Why does the face on the poster find it so hard to keep clean?"

Paragraph 21 is tragedy and hate: "Put on an air of indifference. Stifle your anger. It will come in useful some day."

Hope in de Gaulle and hope in England are not wanting in this "Advice to the Occupied." Paragraph 23 reads: "The German eagle struts proudly, but it is the goose-stop. Marching off to war against England it sings—but probably it's its swan song."

"You grumble because they make you be indoors by eleven sharp. Simple, have you not understood that it is so that you may listen to the B.B.C. from England?"

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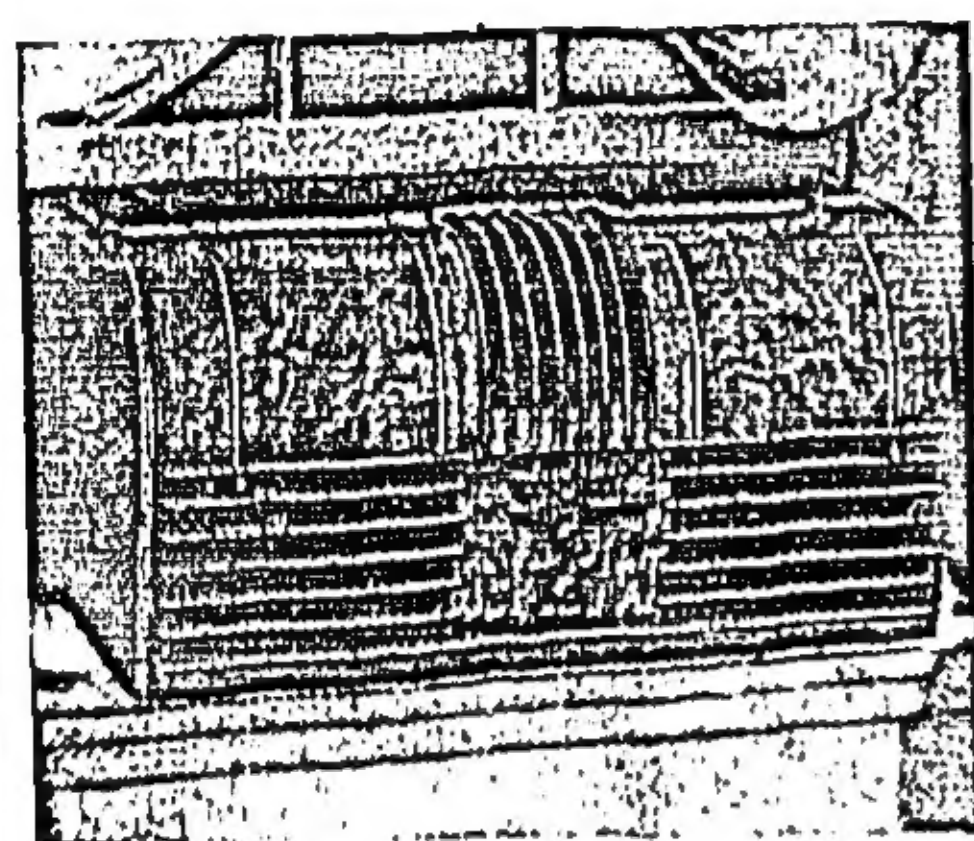
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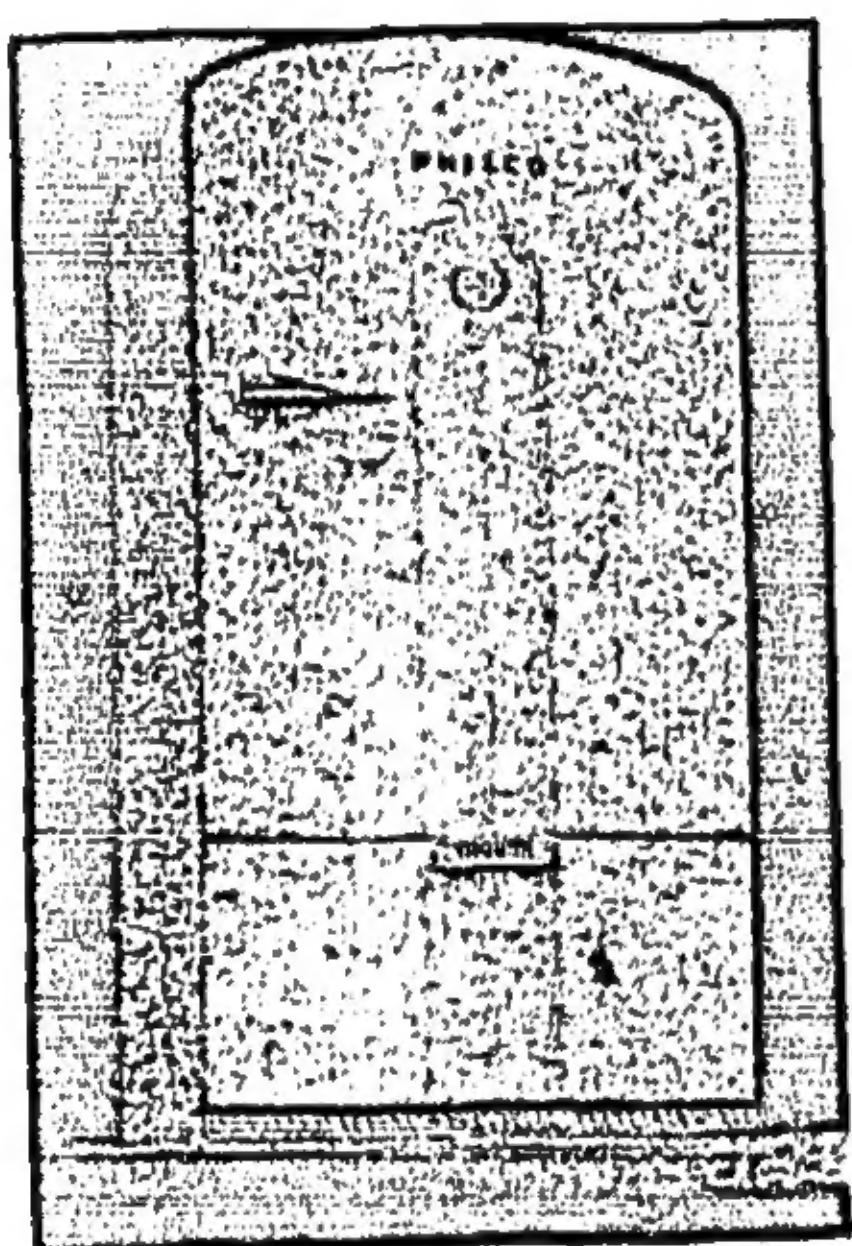
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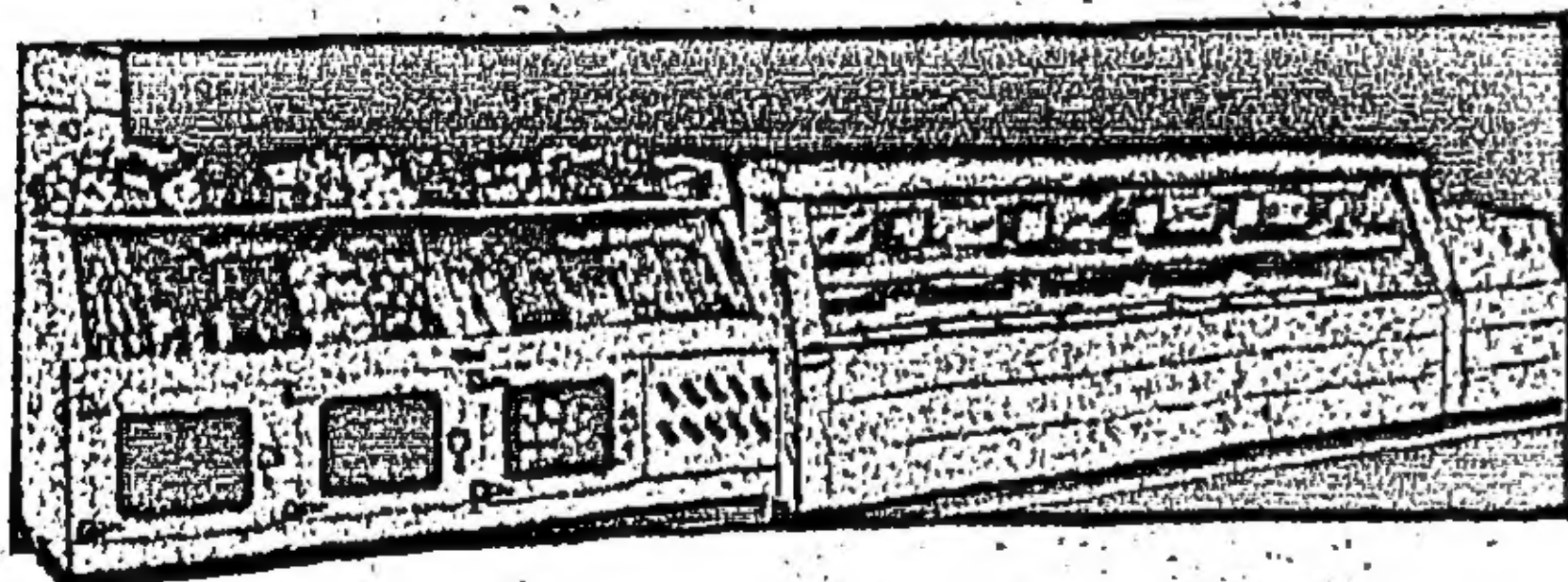
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## JAPAN'S PROGRAMME

# ADMIRAL ON EXPANSION SOUTH

(By Percy Whiteing N.C.D.N. Special  
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AS JAPAN'S SOUTHWARD expansion policy has been attracting such attention throughout the world, unusual interest attaches to the views of Admiral Seizo Kobayashi, until recently Governor-General of Taiwan, southernmost outpost of the Japanese Empire and vital link in its southward advance. Admiral Kobayashi is one of Japan's leading navalists, and as Governor-General had been prominent among those building the foundation for the southward expansion. Before retiring from active service in the navy, he was Commander-in-Chief of the First Fleet and Vice-Minister of the Navy.

Admiral Kobayashi, in a statement published in "Keikoku" (Statesmanship), a monthly magazine devoted mostly to Japan's southward development and the Empire's national principles, declares that Japan's southward policy is based entirely on peaceful, economic plans, whose object is to promote the mutual prosperity of Japan and the lands to the south.

He regrets that this policy has been misinterpreted abroad, in such a way as to attribute schemes of aggression to Japan. The gist of his statement in the magazine is as follows:

Anti-Japanese feeling in the South Sea islands is not based on any desire to insult Japan, but is rather due to a fear of what she may intend to do. This is due to various factors, specially misunderstanding and misjudgment. The Japanese policy is mistakenly regarded in South Sea countries as a form of aggression.

On the contrary, Japan is always ready to negotiate with any South Sea country on the principle of mutual prosperity. But some parties concerned seem, intentionally or unintentionally, to have misinterpreted Japan's policy to the effect that she plans to attain her objectives by means of force. Such misconception is likely to be dispelled by words and actions of the government and people of Japan in the future.

### Deplorable Factor

A deplorable factor is that some South Sea countries are relying on some countries which cannot be depended on. Some lands have apparently been given the idea that they can safely be indifferent to Japan's proposals simply because they expect the democracies will win out.

Developments in Europe, however, should warn them of the general drift of the international situation. If these countries will rectify their past attitude and recognize the advisability of cooperating with Japan, then Japan's southward expansion programme will bear fruit.

The American attitude toward Japan has particular reference to Japan's southward policy. As far as I can see the United States is labouring under a great misapprehension. Disregarding Japan's history of 26 centuries, the United States has recklessly branded Japan as an aggressor nation, and actually proclaims the Chiang Kai-shek government as a champion of democracy.

The United States is acting on its own arbitrary interpretation that Japan's southward expansion is based on territorial designs and monopolisation of natural resources. This misunderstanding, however, must surely pass out, when the actual development of Japan's foreign policy is seen, as Foreign Minister Matsukata has often declared.

Why is that the United States objects to Japan's economic advance to the south? Judging from the American policy thus far seen, that country is hastening along a course that will lead

it to participation in the Anglo-German war, for the purpose of aiding Britain.

### Taiwan And Hainan

Taiwan and Hainan were regarded as twin jewels in China's south seas, in ancient time. These islands were also regarded as China's two eyes in those waters. These ideas are supposed to have been due to the fact that the islands afforded good bases for southward expansion.

Now Taiwan is a possession of Japan, and Hainan has become very close to Japan from military and economic points of view. Are they really advantageous bases for Japan's southward development? Taiwan once was purely an agricultural country. But now it has become both industrial and agricultural.

Hainan once was noted for its livestock industry. In the future, however, it promises to develop through its mineral resources. Its great mineral resources have been recognised by Japan since its occupation by her forces.

### Hydro-Electric Power In Taiwan

Hydro-electric power is amply produced in Taiwan. The two islands are bound, therefore, to have great industrial development. Generally speaking, the large region envisaged in Japan's southward expansion programme has great agricultural, forestry and mineral resources.

So, in my opinion Taiwan and Hainan are the furthest limits for industry. Beyond those outposts, industrial development is not promising.

What is of primary importance in Japan's southward programme is that Japan is to supply her products to southern countries and is to obtain from them raw materials which she has not. Buying and selling the same things does not mean much.

Japan's southward expansion is a great task imposed on Japan, not merely a task left to Taiwan and Hainan. The basic conception of this programme lies in establishment of the "great east Asia co-prosperity sphere." Japan must not remain the only gainer, but must supply to the southward countries the products they need, otherwise the "co-prosperity sphere" will lose its significance.

### Obstructions To Scheme

Japan's concern over the northern borders related to the Soviet Union and China has checked her southward programme. It also has been obstructed by Britain and the United States. Japan also has been hampered by the Japanese phobia among the Chinese overseas, numbering some 7,000,000, specially those in the Netherlands East Indies. Excepting

## EXPERTS DISAGREE

A general Staff Officer, speaking of the military importance of Asmara on the B.B.C. referred (unlike the B.B.C. announcers themselves) to Addis Ababa (with the accent on the second syllable and a broad "a"), returning once more to the pronunciation heard so frequently before the Italian occupation.

Before the conquest of Abyssinia by Italy there was much doubt amongst even well-informed Europeans in England as to what to call it.

I can remember (writes "Y.") the late Professor Alexander asking me how it should be pronounced, when he knew that my sister had been living there. An American missionary from Egypt who spoke Arabic was emphatic that it should be Addis Ababa.

On going there myself after the Italian occupation I found the question further complicated by the fact that Italians invariably called it Addis Abayba.

Confusion arises, perhaps, from the fact that so many Europeans are more familiar with Arabic than with Amharic, the language of the Shoa, the district of which Addis Ababa is the capital. The word "Ababa" (flower) is similar in both languages, only differing in pronunciation.

The Amharas themselves to whom I referred the question are all emphatic that their town is called Addis Ababa (with the accent on the first syllable and a short "a" in the middle).

The Italians are not to be relied on in the pronunciation of foreign words or names, as the universal tendency of the language is to "Italianise" very quickly anything which is foreign or difficult in pronunciation for them.

## PARIS RULE BY BULLET

Paris girls give Germans the cold shoulder, ignore their invitation to dances and parties.

A neutral who has arrived in Liebon from Paris says that Frenchwomen now know the phrase "I'll put a bullet through you."

But it is Frenchmen who say it not Germans. It is a warning against even speaking to the German soldiers. German discipline rules heavily in Paris.

Black-out offences don't bring a policeman to the door with a friendly warning. A bullet comes through the offender's window. In this way he is taught to obey the law.

An American who arrived in Lisbon from Paris said: "Often German soldiers are shot during the black-out. Frequently the city wakes up to find several German soldiers lying injured in the streets."

Thailand, most South Sea countries have been influenced against Japan by Britain and the United States, aiding Gen. Chiang Kai-shek.

Anti-Japanism has been intensified since the outbreak of the Japan-China hostilities and by complicated movements of the international situation. Thus Japan's southward advance has been made harder than ever. Japan will find it no easy task to establish the "co-prosperity sphere" due to the many difficulties that must be surmounted. What policy the Government will follow is a momentous question for the Japanese nation.





Leading members of the superlative cast of Darryl F. Zanuck's production of "Brigham Young," by Louis Bromfield, at the King's Theatre. Tyrone Power, star of the 20th Century-Fox film is shown at left with Linda Darnell, who has the leading feminine role. Dean Jagger (right) portrays Brigham Young. At the top (left to right) are John Carradine, Brian Donlevy, Mary Astor, Jean Rogers and Jane Darwell.

## SHELLED CREW FACE A 'HELL ON WATER'

AN EPIC WHICH PROVES that the men England sends down to the sea in ships have not lost their courage or their skill since Captain Bligh of the *Bounty* sailed 4,000 miles in an open boat is being told in brief cabled messages dribbling into New York from the Island of Curupu, Brazil.

It was no mutiny that put eighty-two officers and men of a British ship in an open boat somewhere in the Atlantic not so long ago. It was a German raider which came out of the night somewhere off the west coast of Africa and shelled the ship until she sank.

The captain of the ship, his first officer, and eighty British and Indian members of the crew managed to scramble into a lifeboat built to carry fifty men. When dawn broke they were alone in the blue ocean. Not a ship was in sight.

The German raider, not interested in saving lives which she assumed would soon be lost, had vanished on other business.

### Hope Awakens

Over the helm which he was grabbing the captain held a conference with all the seamen on board. He wanted to make for South America.

It was about 1,600 miles of open water, he explained, and they might or might not sight a sail. It was a gamble.

There were not enough provisions. There probably would not be enough fresh water. It would be scorching hot, and with only one sail to help, every man on board would have to bend his back to the oars.

All voted support for their captain. And so the voyage of twenty-three days through a hell on water began.

For the first week all went well, although the captain put the entire crew on mere subsistence rations.

### Hope Fades

Then the sun began to take its toll. Men began to go crazy from it, while others tried to row or to sleep; they raved and screamed. One by one the crazed seamen died.

The others went on through stormy seas and becalmed seas, but still they did not sight any sail but their own ragged one. And hope of reaching land began to fade in the hearts of all but the stoutest.

Survivors can hardly talk of the last twelve days of the voyage. The raving was becoming louder all the time and the deaths more frequent. Each man existed on one piece of hard tack and one tablespoonful of water.

The Indians began to go first. Forty of them died from heat, thirst and madness. Then four British seamen were lowered overboard to the almost inaudible muttering of a funeral service intoned by the captain.

### Hope Realised

Then the thirty-seven half dead men who remained to listen to their captain's orders suddenly came back to life.

"Land ahoy!" he cried. "It's the coast of Brazil," said the first officer. The captain collapsed. "That close to safety," he said, a smile on his weather-beaten face. "That close to safety."

With great difficulty he turned his head towards his next in command. "All's well," he whispered. AND THEN HE DIED.

## SALON IN SOFIA

Each Monday the aristocratic Bulgarian sisters Petroff-Tchomacoff held a salon in Sofia. The gatherings were highly select. Men and women of letters, and diplomats, talked there with Socialites.

They did not talk of politics. But these sisters are Anglophiles. They speak English well.

Now the Sisters Petroff-Tchomacoff are banished to Hungary. They were permanent ladies-in-waiting to Queen Ioanna and accompanied her to this country. But the Nazis gave the order and King Boris, the fool, had to obey.

## AXIS OIL SUPPLIES ARE LOW

A U.S. Government petroleum expert declared that Axis oil supplies were so low that England might win the war without invading Europe by bombing Germany's "vital spot"—her synthetic oil plants and transportation lines.

Dr. Robert E. Wilson, head petroleum consultant of the Office of Production Management, made the assertion in a speech prepared for delivery before the American Institute of Chemical Engineers in Chicago.

Dr. Wilson said the German-Italian war effort was being fuelled with a total petroleum production, including imports and synthetic output "equal to only 5 per cent. of this country's production of crude."

The Washington man said it was hard to predict whether the shortage would hamper Axis military operations this summer, but listed several ways in which the Reich's oil shortage was "surely working against her for the long pull."

"First, Italy, due only partly to lack of oil, will be more of a liability than an asset to Hitler from now on.

"Second, Germany's discouraging outlook as to oil supplies must require considerable diversion of attention and energy to increasing her supplies which she would prefer to use in other ways. Also, the shortage must interfere increasingly with both her industrial and agricultural production and eventually her military operations.

### Invasion Not Necessary

"Third, while capture or control of Iraq would to some extent hamper England's operations in the Eastern Mediterranean area, these oil supplies could not be gotten into Germany or Italy in any appreciable volume unless the Axis gained effective control of the Mediterranean Sea.

"Fourth, if and when England can achieve sufficient air superiority to permit long range and heavy daylight attacks on Germany's synthetic plants and transportation facilities, she will be striking at such a vital spot that actual invasion might never be necessary in order for England to win the war."

The United States has "plenty of reserve crude and refinery capacity to take care of all predictable defence needs" the OPM man said.

## NIECE OF OSCAR WILDE DEAD

Miss Dorothy Wilde, aged 47, a niece of Oscar Wilde, was found dead in her bedroom in a block of luxury flats in Chesham-place, Belgrave-square.

A number of bottles containing paraldehyde, a drug for insomnia, were found in the bedroom.

The manager of the flats said "Miss Wilde came here nine days ago from an hotel and rented a self-contained service flat."

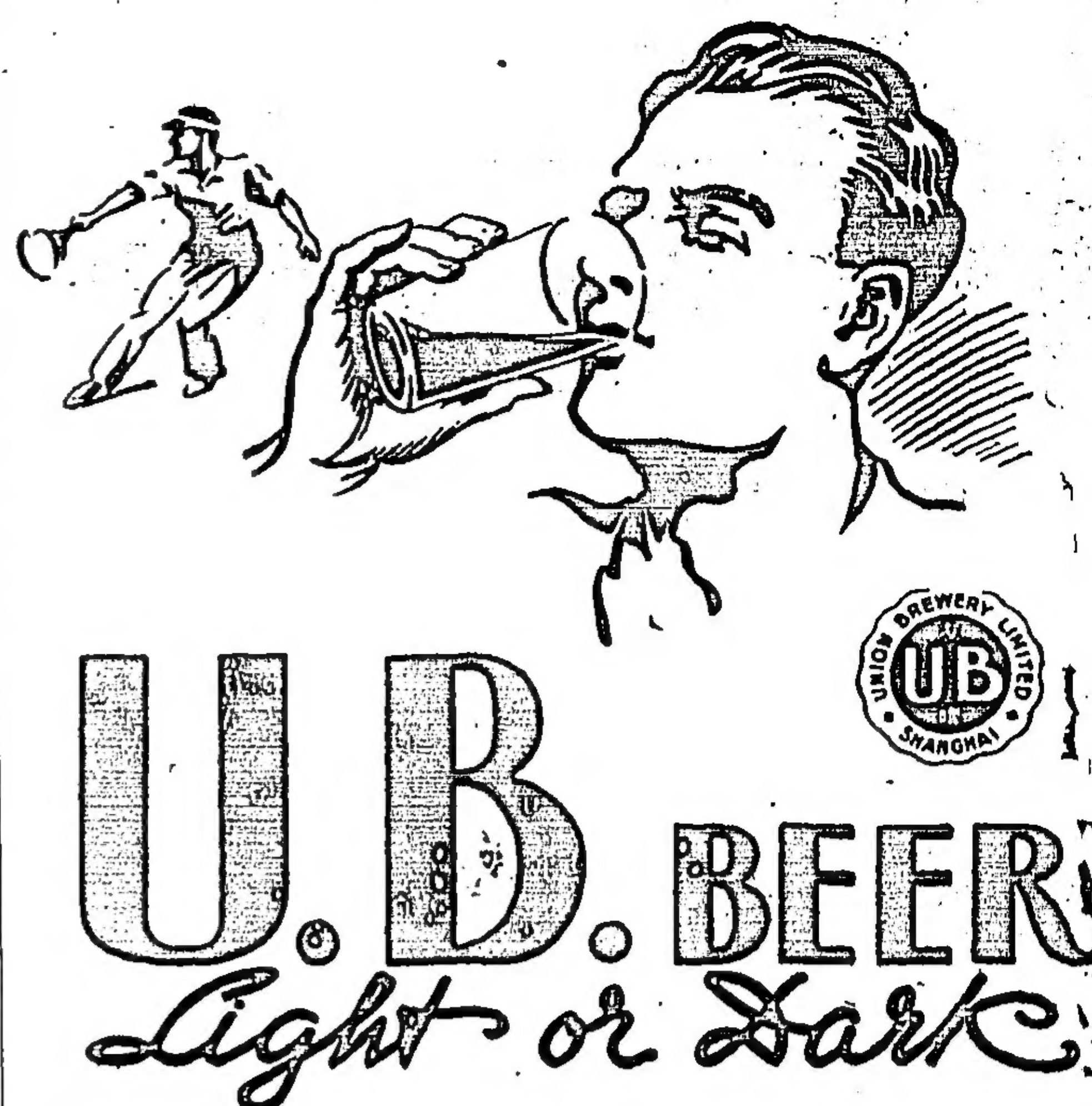
"While she was here she dined several times alone in the restaurant."

"A maid discovered Miss Wilde dead after entering her room with a pass-key. A doctor who lives in the flats stated that she must have been dead some hours."

A close friend of Miss Wilde said: "For the past three years Dorothy had suffered from an incurable disease. She knew she was under sentence of death."

"Before this illness she was a jolly and high-spirited woman, with many friends."

"It is understood that an inquest will be held."



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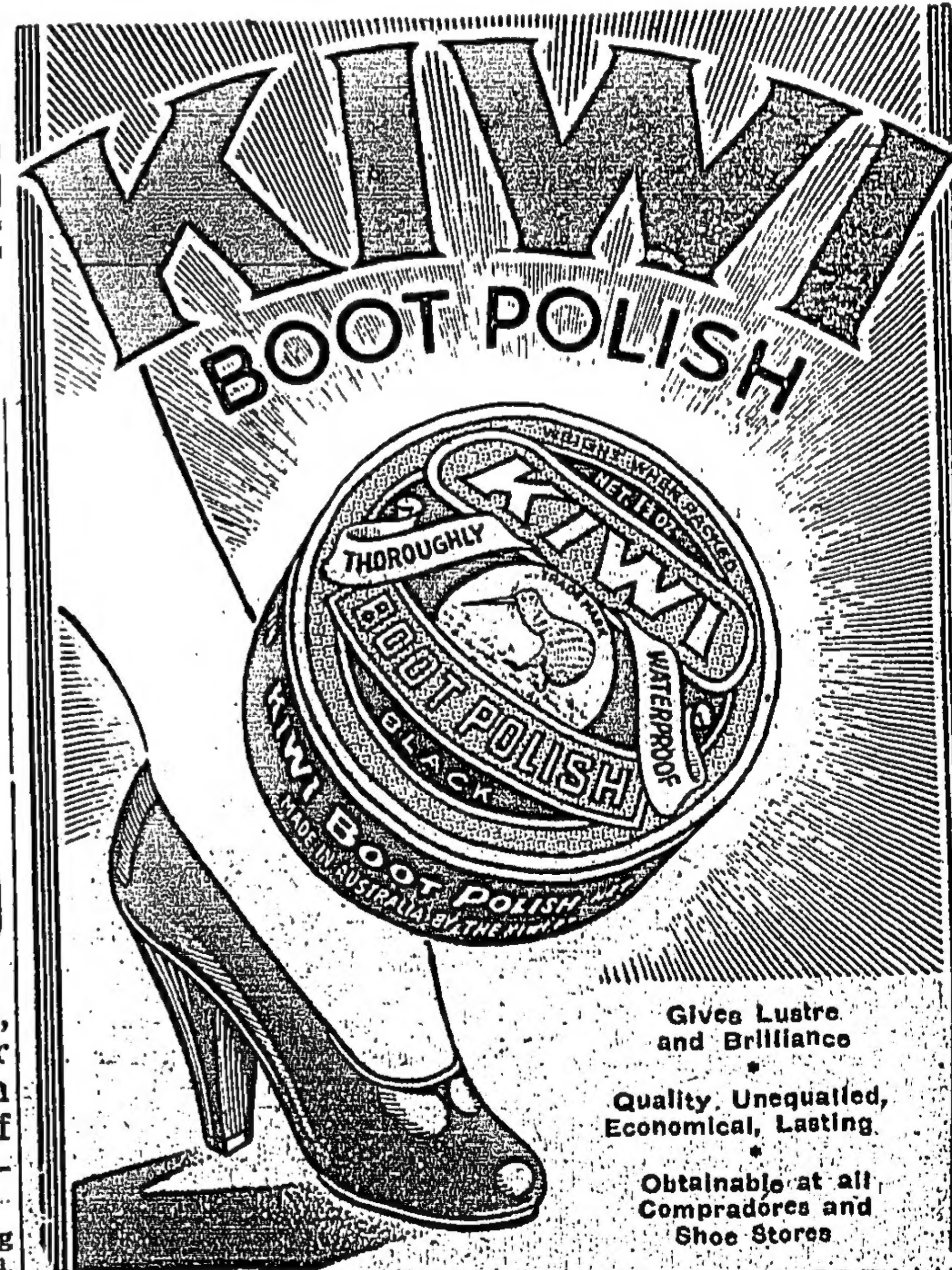
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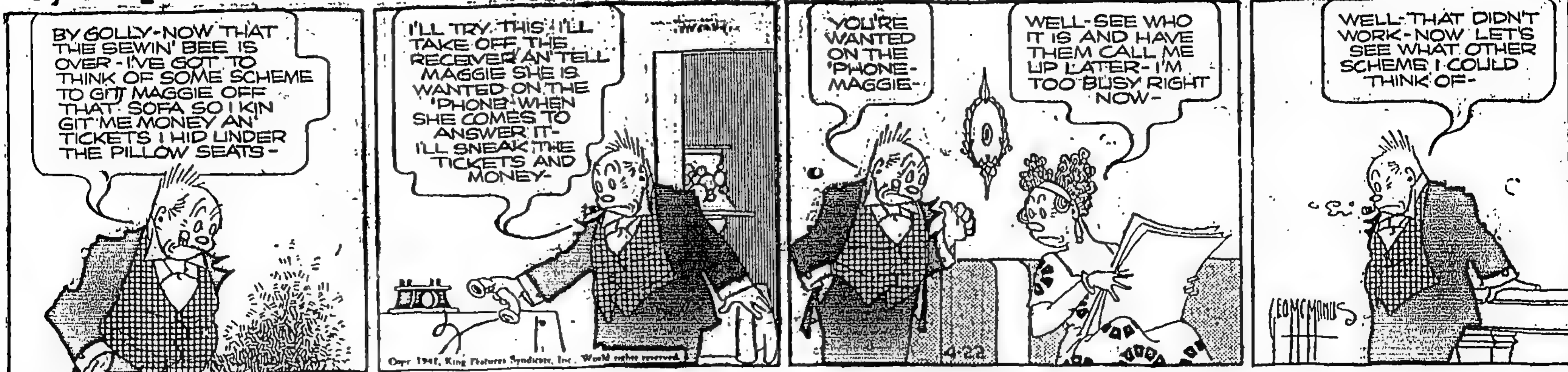






By George MacManus

Bringing in Father



## A PAGE FOR WOMEN Difficult To Discourage

A girl who signs herself "Worried," writes me asking how she can rid her face of superfluous hair. "For several years I have been troubled with hair on my face," she claims, "especially on my chin, and have noticed that this hair is getting more abundant lately. I am now twenty-eight years old. Could you help me solve my problem. Is there such a thing as a permanent hair remover."

"About two years ago I had these hairs removed by electrolysis and I went for several months to give this method a fair trial. But the hairs are more plentiful now than they were before the treatment."

"Since I have several friends with the same trouble, and I am positive there are other girls who feel sensitive about unwanted face hair, would you be kind enough to publish an article on the permanent removal of hair."

### My Answer

Superfluous hair on the face is one of the most difficult beauty problems. Cosmeticians and physicians have gotten their heads together in conference and little has resulted. The truth is that there is no sure, known treatment for permanent removal of superfluous hair. If there was, practically every man I know would unblushingly go and take it—for shaving is a task which most men find very annoying!

We are told that electrolysis by a registered, experienced expert physician is the best method of removing hair permanently. But as "Worried" has afforded the time, money and patience to test this treatment, and it has failed, you can see that it is not always successful.

### Wax Is Popular

Upon investigating this hair problem seriously, I have finally reached the conclusion that the use of wax for removing facial hair (and mind I limit it to facial hair) is about the most satisfactory method. But this treatment must be repeated whenever the hair begins to show. It may be once every three weeks, or once a week. But it does seem to discourage the growth considerably by weakening the hair and by somehow fading it a bit. I looked at a girl's face after each treat-



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ment for six weeks and I did notice that the facial hair was weaker and more bleached but it did return.

Wax is applied quite warm, in a melted, liquid state, allowed to harden on the skin and then pulled off with a quick yank. I advise most girls to try the wax on legs or arms before they attempt to do their face for the yanking of the wax, so it does not hurt, is a bit difficult. In fact, if one could afford a single salon

treatment to learn the technique, that is all to the good. The wax may be used over and over again so the cost is not great.

### Other Products

There are other powders and pastes which are prepared and considered harmless, but if your skin is sensitive or allergic to certain ingredients, you will have to experiment to see which is suitable for you.

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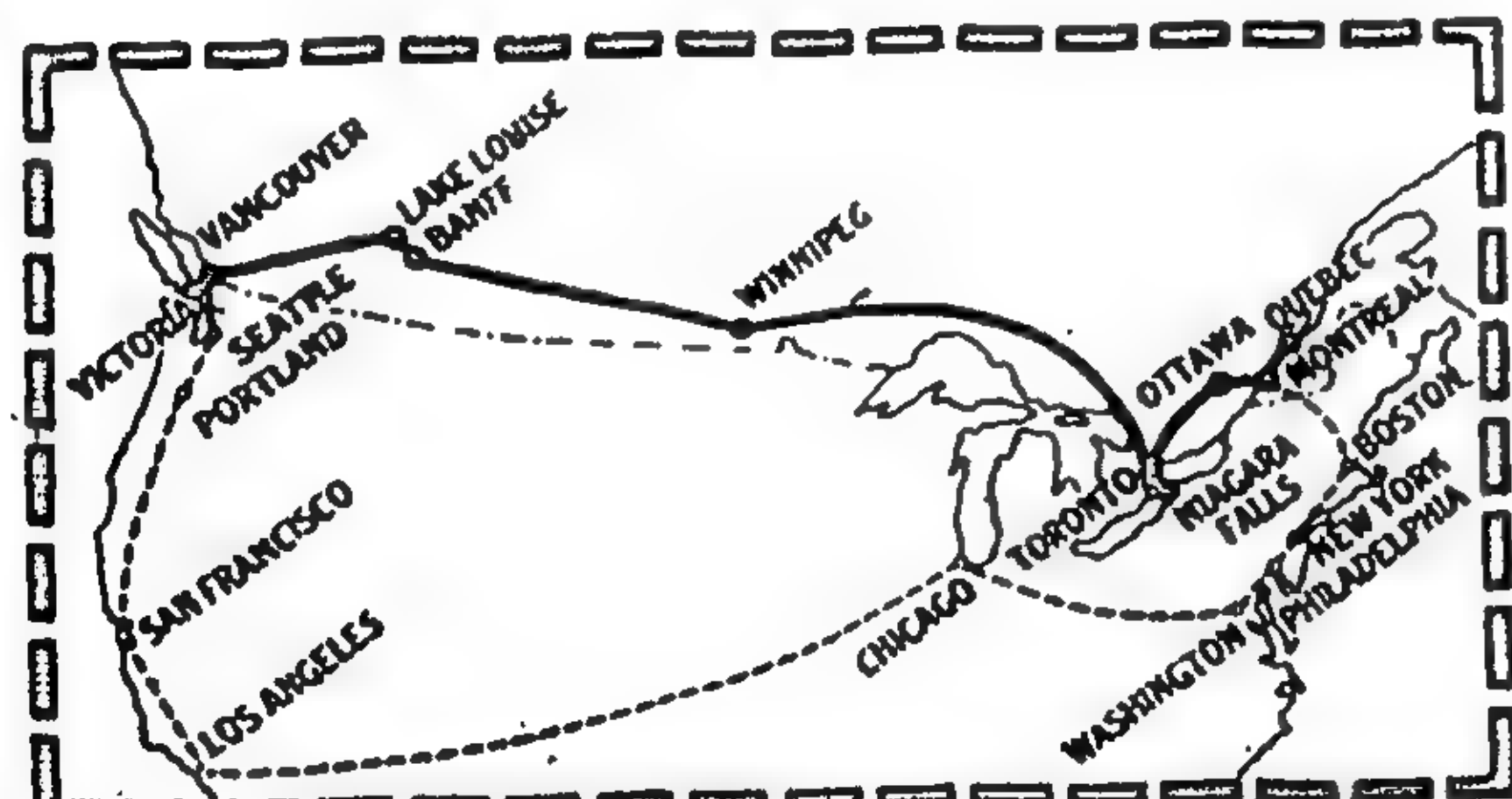
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## RADIO

12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—Benny Goodman and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—Roll 'Em; Afraid to Dream (film 'You can't have everything'); I Cried for You; Memories of You; Soft Winds; Rose of Washington Square; And the Angels Sing; I'll Always Be In Love With You; Make Believe.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme.

1.02 p.m.—The London Palladium Orchestra and Jessie Matthews (Vocal).

The Druid's Prayer—Waltz (Davson); Dreaming—Waltz (Joyce)...The London Palladium Orchestra.

Say The Word and It's Yours (from 'First a Girl')...Jessie Matthews (Vocal) with Orchestra.

Wedded Whimsies (Humorous Fantasy)—arr. Alford)...The London Palladium Orchestra.

Everything's In Rhythm with My Heart: The Little Silkworm (both from 'First a Girl')...Jessie Matthews (Vocal) with Orchestra.

The Little Dog Laughed—Selection...The London Palladium Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter &amp; Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Florence Desmond in Variety.

Vocal—Mac Time (film 'Gay Love'); Monologue—A British Mother's Big Flight ('Streamline')—A. P. Herbert; Florence Desmond.

Cinema Organ—Eric Coates Medley Sydney Gustard.

Comedian—Orange Peel—A Comedy 'Ode'; The Tale of Hector Cramp A Comedy 'Ode'...Cyril Fletcher ('The Utterly Refrained Entertainer').

Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley.

No. D 43—Intro: Goodnight again; When the Blackbird says Bye Bye; Ferryboat Serenade; Trade Winds; Our love affair: Maybe...Charlie Kunz.

Vocal—She Had To Go and Lose It At The Astor (Doo-Doos)...Florence Desmond with Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 p.m.—Bartok—Quartet No. 2 in A Minor, Op. 17.

1st Mov: Moderato; 2nd Mov: Allegro molto capriccioso; 3rd Mov: Lento The Budapest String Quartet.

7.20 p.m.—Excerpts from Act II of Mozart's 'The Magic Flute'.

Singers in order of appearance: Scheppan, Marherr, Berglund, Huseh, Roswaenge, Tessmer, Berger, Belike, Spletter, Lemnitz, Wonnell and Chorus with the Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham.

7.45 p.m.—Violin Solos by Yehudi Menuhin.

Legende, Op. 17 (Wienlawski) with Orchestre Des Concerts Colonne cond. by Georges Enesco.

Minstrels (Debussy); Flight of the Bumble-Bee (Rimsky-Korsakov); Danse Espagnole ('La Vida Breve'—De Falla).

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—'Questions of the Hour'.

8.30 p.m.—London Relay—Special Broadcast to the British Forces in the Far East.

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Programme Summary and Announcements.

9.02 p.m.—Patricia Roseborough at the Piano.

China Doll Parade (Zamecnik); 52nd Street—Selection.

You're All I Need (film 'Escapade'); In the Middle of a Kiss (film 'The Clock Strikes Eight').

9.15 p.m.—The Orchestra Mascotte and Lucienne Boyer (Vocal).

Woodland Whispers—Waltz (Joost); The Flowers—Waltz (Waldteufel); Parlez-Moi D'Amour (Lemoine); Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) with Orch.

It Happened in Vienna—Waltz (Muh); Castanets—Waltz (Ricciardi)...Orchestra Mascotte.

Landerlrette (Jambian & Delettre); Ballade (Jambian & Delettre)...Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) with Orch.

Tidings of Spring—Waltz (Eberle); Valse Basque (Wittmann)...Orchestra Mascotte.

9.43 p.m.—Local Sports Results.

9.45 10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Magyarí Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.

Hungarian Czardas Dance; Hungarian Quick Czardas Dances—Potpourri.

Blue Cornflower (Kadas); Tik Tak Tik Tak Ut Az Ora; Leanyok Legenyek...with Kalmar (Vocal).

You Can't Forbid A Flower: The Sleeves of My Jacket are Tied Up 10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Summary.

10.15 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Oh Johnny, Oh Johnny, Oh...Orrin Tucker & his Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—The Last Time I Saw Paris: What Makes A Song...Leo Reisman & his Orchestra.

Tango—So Blue the Skies...Maxwell Stewart's Ballroom Melody.

Fox-Trot—It's Sad, But True: Variations in G...Joe Reichman & his Orchestra.

Quickstep—Smarty (film 'Double or Nothing')...Slow Fox-Trot—Little Heaven of the Seven Seas...Victor Silvester & his Ballroom Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—Simpatia: Amorillo (both from film 'They Met in Argentina')...Leo Reisman & his Orchestra.

Pasodoble—Alfonso: Rumba—Caramba...Tolada & his Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—Shake Down the Stars; Waltz—I'll Be Waiting for You...Oscar Robin & his Band.

11.00 p.m.—London Relay—'Happy-drome'.

12.00 midnight—Close down.

## SUNK SHIPS THAT PLY THE SEVEN SEAS

WHEN ENEMY SUBMARINES score a record week against our shipping, we read about it. But we hear little about the immense tonnage of our shipping which is being brought up from the sea bottom.

In peacetime our Government—unlike some others—does not support a national salvage service. Its Salvage Section lies dormant between two wars.

Hence the pre-war dominance of German, Italian, and Dutch companies which used to work in our waters. The Admiralty faced an immense task in rebuilding its Salvage Section in September, 1939.

It has succeeded admirably. Already a large number of ships sunk around our coasts have been salvaged. Ranging from small coasters to large vessels of liner tonnage, their total value with cargo was £11,000,000—of which ships represented £6,000,000 and cargo £5,000,000.

### £50,000,000 Salvaged

Scores of torpedoed, mined, bombed and just plain "sunk" hulls have been raised, towed to port, repaired, sometimes re-engined, and are now sailing once more. Valuable cargoes of food, fuels, machinery, cement, timber, and general goods have been rescued.

During the last war a total of 500 ships was dealt with—of a total value of £50,000,000 (£5,000,000 of it in bar gold taken from the torpedoed Laurentic sunk deep in stormy seas off Ireland). This time the Salvage Section, armed with new scientific apparatus, is capable of even greater figures, if unfortunately they should be necessary.

At present the salvage men are concentrating on wrecks lying in fairly shallow water with not more than 30 feet of water over them. Each salvage job has to be studied individually and special methods evolved. There are few rules.

### New Bows Fitted

In many cases a sunken ship can be raised without disturbing its cargo, towed into dock, discharged and repaired for sea again. It is astounding what the dockyards can do with a battered hull.

Ships blown clean in half have been raised and joined together again. Ships with their bows blown off have been fitted with new ones, and on one occasion during the last war the stern half of one destroyer was joined to the bow half of her sister ship.

But even a ship which is obviously too blasted for repair is now worth raising for the scrap value of its metal.

Simplest case for the salvage men is the wreck with its deck above water, its hull not too badly torn and its bulkheads intact.

It may be necessary to patch the hull before the ship will lift. No simple job this for the divers—cutting away the jagged edges of a forty-foot torpedo gash with

blow-lamps that burn under water, and then bolting hunks of timber across the hole—but one which is often done.

Often, too, hundreds of open portholes must be closed before the ship can be pumped dry.

### Like Diving-Bell

Often a ship which has turned turtle and sunk "bottoms up" can be raised more easily by cutting holes in her hull, attaching air pipes, and pumping the hull full of air so that it rises like a diving-bell.

Much harder to raise is the ship which sinks on an even keel so that her decks, with their doors, ventilators and innumerable openings, are below water. Obviously she cannot be pumped dry as she is.

Such a case was the 10,000-ton Danish liner Canada, sunk by mines last year in the North Sea. The North-east Salvage unit were all ready to use the coffer dam method.

This involves building a strong and moderately watertight "wall" of heavy timbers around the upper-works so that all openings are enclosed within it. This "dam" and the flooded hull below can then be pumped dry enough for the ship to lift.

Heavy liners have been successfully raised by this method, and so would the Canada have been had her cargo of soya beans not swollen in the water until it burst open her steel plates and left her a total wreck.

### Heavy Cargoes

Heavy cargoes have sometimes to be lifted from sunken ships before they can be made buoyant. The hardest to unload is the ship with her holds well under water.

Then divers may have to toil for weeks fastening hoist-cables to bars of steel or heavy machinery so that cranes on the salvage ship alongside may empty the holds.

When a ship is so badly knocked about that no amount of patching and pumping will lift her, main force has to be used. Huge steel pontoons—cylindrical tanks which can be flooded and blown dry—are sunk on either side of the wreck.

Divers burrow below the sunken hull with "hose guns" powered by high-pressure water jets, and pass steel cables underneath so as to form a sort of lifting cradle.

These are attached to the pontoons, which are then pumped dry by air-compressors. Their buoyancy—each can lift 1,000 tons or more—drags the wreck, cargo, water and all to the surface, and pontoons and wreck are towed together to dock.

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## PUI YING. WHITES WIN 1ST. DIVISION

The Inter-School Basketball League was officially closed yesterday when Pui Ying "White" won the First Division championship following their narrow victory over the "Green" quintette by 56 points to 54.

Leading 28-24 at the end of the first half, Greens collapsed in the early stage of the second period, when Whites scored no less than 10 points.

Following are the detailed scores:

PUI YING "WHITES"			
	Goals	Foul	Points
Tang Sik-tao	5	0	1
Luk Sze-hung	5	0	3
Fu Hsi-cheung	6	0	1
Yau Hing-shul	4	1	0
Lam Wun-ting	3	1	0
Tso Hok-wah	4	0	2
Total	27	2	56 Points.

PUI YING "GREEN"			
	Goals	Foul	Points
Mak Shing-huen	5	1	0
Mak Ho-yuen	4	1	1
Li Chun-mo	2	0	0
Chan Taun	6	0	0
Luk Fah-hon	2	0	0
Chan Kwan-yuk	3	0	0
Li Siu-wai	4	0	1
Total	26	2	54 Points.

## MIDDLESEX "B" SUCCESS

In the only match played in the Y.M.C.A. Invitation Water-Polo Tournament yesterday, Middlesex "B" beat 965th R.A. by four clear goals in the Army Pool, Birdsey, Stanton, Lomax and Smith scored the goals.

TABLE TO DATE										
	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.	Goals		
Signals	11	11	0	0	58	5	22			
Middlesex "A"	10	9	1	0	50	10	18			
Y.M.C.A.	10	8	2	0	43	11	16			
Royal Navy "A"	10	7	3	0	36	21	14			
Combined Small	11	6	4	1	32	26	13			
8th. Regt. R.A.	8	5	1	2	24	18	12			
R. Scots "A"	10	5	5	0	24	25	10			
R. Navy "C"	10	2	6	2	32	25	6			
Royal Navy "B"	8	2	5	1	9	33	5			
Middlesex "B"	9	2	7	0	14	36	4			
5th. A.A. Regt.										
R.A.	10	1	7	2	19	32	4			
36th. Bty. R.A.	6	0	5	1	5	31	1			
965th. Bty. R.A.	9	0	8	1	13	43	1			
Royal Scots "B"	6	0	6	0	3	25	0			

# CRAIGENGOWER SHOULD BEAT THE CHAMPIONS

## Police Expected To Win Over I.R.C.

By "Skip"

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME of Lawn Bowls matches marks the commencement of the second half of the season—although it is obvious that not half of the scheduled matches have as yet been played. The clerk of the weather has seen to that! And as I write No. 1 Typhoon Signal has just been hoisted!

The most important game to-day is, of course, that between Craigenower and Club de Recreio "A" at the Valley. With the latter winning by only a single shot when these two met at King's Park earlier in the season, it will be realised that the game will be of a tense nature. C. G. Silva, in spite of all reports to the contrary, will be turning out again, and his presence will add strength to the champions' line-up. His rink is as before but it will, I think, need to be at its best to withstand the onslaught of any of the home rinks, all of whom are playing well just now. Raoul Luz retains his record-making combination, whilst Dick Alves, after his successful debut as skip last Saturday, returns to his old position in "Spuggy" Silva's rink.

Craigenower's team picks itself—after last week's affair—and not only this factor impels me to forecast, rather confidently, a win for them.

Kowloon Cricket Club are also unchanged and they look good for a brace of points at the expense of the Civil Servants who, although they have made some changes, do not yet look strong enough to win away from home.

The game between Police and Indians at the Valley should be interesting, and I shall be surprised if the home team lose: the return of some of their players adds strength, and, incidentally, makes their other team quite formidable. What an epic struggle

would be the meeting of Abbas and Shepherd, should the draw so turn out!

### Two New Skips

The "B" teams of Club de Recreio and Kowloon Bowling Green Club meet at King's Park, and a couple of new skips in Peckham and C. M. Silva, will be on view. The latter is a tried player and should do well in his new position, but Peckham has yet to make good. Poetic justice would be met should these two be drawn as opposites. The other rinks on both sides remain as last week, and I think the home team can hold their visitors without much difficulty.

The Austin Road Club has made changes in their premier team, Bob Duncan coming in as No. 3 to Hall Alec Hyde-Lay holding a similar position with Holland, in whose rink Willie Walker goes back as lead whilst Deacon, from this rink, goes as second man to McKelvie. The home team will be expected to beat Kowloon Dock without much difficulty.

### C.C.C. Favoured

In Second Division the outstanding game should be at Stanley, where there will be a strong challenge from Craigenower, conquerors of the hitherto unbeaten Kowloon Tong last Saturday. The visitors look mighty strong and should win by a goodly number of shots. In spite of fact that the Stanley team will approach its best.

Hong Kong Cricket Club have a reasonable chance of success against Club de Recreio as the game is at Chater Road, and they may seek inspiration from their good fight in the opening game of the season.

### K.B.G.C. "Double"?

Kowloon Tong should return to winning form at the expense of the cricketers from Cox's Road, whilst if the Chatham Road team do not beat their old footballing friends from the Valley, I'll eat my steel helmet.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club should overcome Craigenower in Third Division, especially as the game is at Austin Road, and thereby complete the "double," the first leg of which Hughie Nish secured so dramatically when these teams first met on May 3. It may be remembered that he picked out the first shot to secure a winning count of 6 with the very last wood of the match. For K.F.C. and H.K.F.C. forecast see my remarks regarding their first teams! Police—even at Sookun-poo—and Club de Recreio appear to be the other winners in this section.

### SKIP'S

### FORECAST

FIRST DIVISION			
C.C.C.	(51) v. Rec. 'A'	(52)	
K.C.C.	(53) v. C.S.C.C.	(61)	
Police	(56) v. I.R.C.	(68)	
Rec. 'B'	(69) v. K.B.G.C. 'B'	(60)	
K.B.G.C. 'A'	(63) v. K.D.R.C.	(56)	

SECOND DIVISION			
H.K.C.C.	(53) v. Rec.	(64)	
K. Tong	(60) v. K.C.C.	(56)	
P.O.C.	(68) v. C.C.C.	(67)	
H.K.F.C.	(49) v. K.F.C.	(64)	

THIRD DIVISION			
K.B.G.C.	(60) v. C.C.C.	(56)	
K.F.C.	(54) v. H.K.F.C.	(62)	
I.R.C.	(63) v. Police	(45)	
Rec.	(60) v. H.K.C.C.	(57)	

Figures in brackets denote the result of the First Round games this season.

## HOLDERS IN FINAL

Mrs. H. C. Collaco and Miss M. S. Holwill, holders of the Shanghai Ladies' Tennis Doubles Championship and who are defending their title this year, met with stern opposition in the Semi-Final Round from a French pair, Mlle. de Courtis and Mlle. Saint Pol, on the French Club courts last week when they were taken to three sets before clinching the issue at 7-5, 6-1, 6-4.

They will now meet Mrs. B. Krevnov and Miss C. Tavares in the Final.

The Mixed Doubles Championship is also nearing the final stages, and in this tournament Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Collaco are conceded a good chance for a place in the Final against, in every probability, L. D. Carson and Miss Holwill, who swept their way through the preliminary rounds and who are expected to have an easy win in their semi-final tie against Y. Segalen and Mlle. de Courtis.

## SUMMER FOURSOMES

Following is the draw in correct order for the second Summer Foursomes to be played at Happy Valley Golf Club:

Bye in Second Round:—A. McKellar (6) and F. Hillon.

FIRST ROUND			
J. M. Thomson (9)	and	N. J. Booker (13)	v. M. A. Cairns (14) and T. Henderson (16)
L. M. S. Lloyd (12)	and	A. D. Humphreys (9)	v. N. J. Bebbington (12) and G. Gellatly (18)
A. V. Greaves (11)	and	D. J. Valentine (12)	v. T. B. Low (11) and R. K. Collings (6)
A. J. MacFayden (18)	and	A. W. Muir (14)	v. G. E. Willerton (12) and T. J. Price (9)
D. Wass (12)	and	J. W. Macdonnell (7)	v. K. S. Robertson (5) and E. S. W.

## SIX AT LAST HEAD GIVES MEYER VICTORY

Three games in the Second Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Rinks Championship were decided yesterday, and in two cases the results were very one-sided. In the game between rinks skipped by J. G. Meyer and N. A. E. Mackay, at Club de Recreio, the game was won at only the last end when Meyer scored a six.

Abandoned last Sunday owing to the typhoon, after leading at the 4th by 8 shots to 3, M. R. Abbas' Indian Recreation Club rink (J. Hoosen, A. M. Rummah and A. R. Dallah) beat a Kowloon Tong rink skipped by A. Spary (H. Gittins, T. K. Lim and W. J. Howard) by 36 shots to 10 at Craigenower yesterday.

Spary started well on the resumption and at the seventh had reduced the lead to 8-7. The game promised to be evenly contested, but Howard at the next head, unfortunately trailed the jack to give the opposition three, and from that point onwards the Kowloon Tong four were out-bowled. They scored a three at the 11th end, which completed their scoring.

Abbas scored at 16 ends. Following were the scores: Abbas 3 1 0 4 0 0 3 2 3 0 1 1 2 1 5 1 3 2 1 3 = 36. Spary 0 0 3 0 1 1 2 0 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 = 10.

### Last Head Decides

A six at the last head gave J. G. Meyer's rink (E. A. Atkins, G. E. F. Thompson and H. White) entry to the Third Round at the expense of the rink skipped by N. A. E. Mackay (A. Zimmern, F. Zimmern and D. Hung) by 23-19. Meyer opened with a four, and at the 10th was leading by 12-5. Mackay with 3 2 1 1 0 1 drew level at 13—all at the 16th, but a single and a three again gave Meyer the lead, 17-13 at the 18th. Mackay took the lead at the 20th with a five, adding two shots to the three of his side while Meyer failed with both his woods.

With his last wood, at the last end, however, Meyer faced Mackay's second shot, about two feet behind the jack, to score a six and win the match.

Following were the scores: Meyer 4 0 2 0 2 0 9 3 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 3 0 0 6 = 23. Mackay 0 1 0 1 1 0 1 1 0 0 3 2 1 1 0 1 0 1 5 0 = 19.

### Jordan's Easy Win

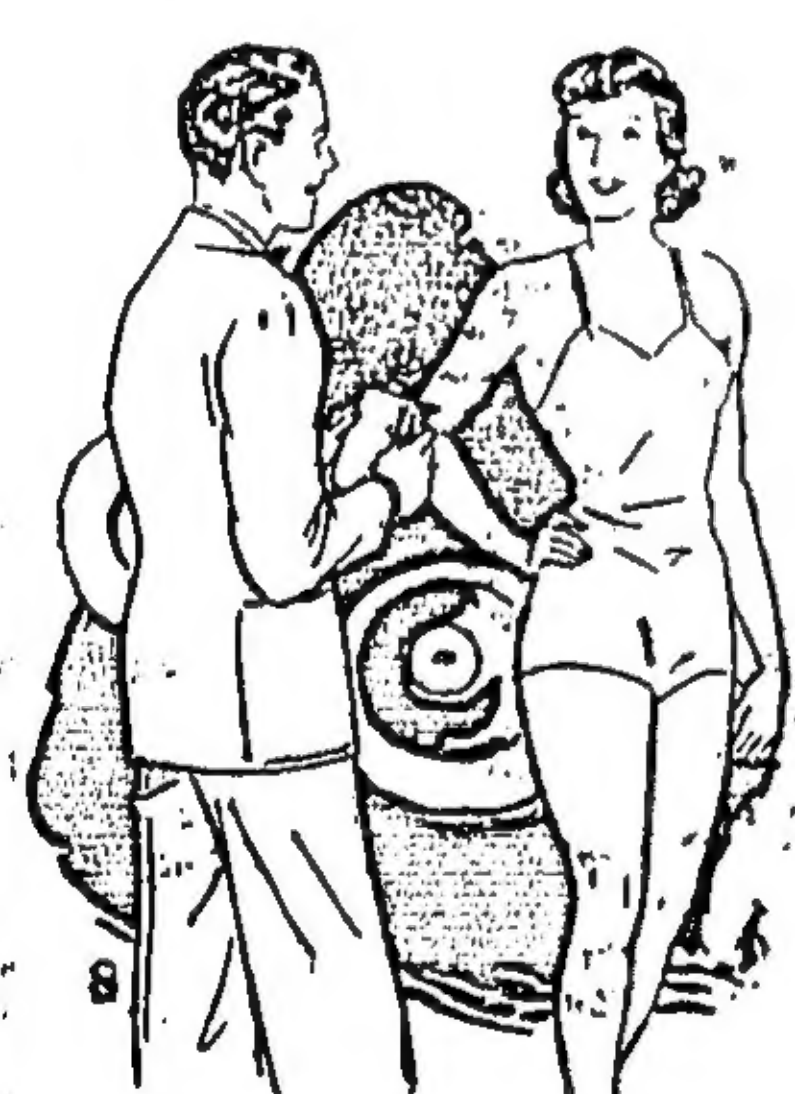
The Kowloon Bowling Green Club rink skipped by L. A. Jordan (H. J. Bicknell, G. W. Elphick and C. E. Langley) were much too good for M. I. Razack, A. K. Suffad, A. J. Coelho and A. H. Rummah, and won by 16 shots.

Rummah scored at only 5 ends, but he managed to score two 3's.

Following were the scores: Jordan 2 0 3 1 1 1 0 1 2 3 1 0 0 1 0 2 2 1 1 3 = 28. Rummah 0 3 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 2 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 = 10.

Paterson (12), H. H. Mundy (9) and W. Stoker (10) v H. Smith (9) and E. Greenwood (16). Bye into Second Round:—F. C. Barry (9) and W. Ahern (9). The first round will be played on July 27, unless an earlier date is agreed upon.

Trojan basketball team make their debut this afternoon at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. when they meet a team from Police at 4 p.m.



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## ANOTHER WET SATURDAY

Due to the heavy rain this morning and the typhoon threat, it is most unlikely that any outdoor sport will take place to-day.

## BASEBALL IN SHANGHAI

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

The annual Fourth of July Baseball game at Shanghai between Amateurs and Marines was played yesterday before a big crowd, a thrilling game ending in the Civilians winning by 12 runs to 6. —International News Service.

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## AMAZING SPORTING CAREER

Most versatile sportsman of Texas A & M is Bill Henderson who, 6 ft. 4 ins. in height, is letterman end in football, basketball, and track and field events, specialising in the javelin, discus, shot, broad jump and high jump. He is also pitcher and first baseman at baseball and heavyweight boxing champion of the 6,500-all-man military college!

By winning a baseball letter this year, he ranks as the first 4-letterman in the 48-year Texas A & M athletic history. He accomplished the feat in one school year.

As though that was not enough, however, he is also a first-class shot with pistol and rifle. If time permitted he would play water polo as goalie and swim in the distance events, while he also plays a good game of tennis.

### Boxing Champion

Henderson went into his first college football game weighing 205 pounds. He won his track letter in the first major event he was in, the meet with Texas and Abilene Christian, and when he finished on the track he pitched part of a baseball game. A few nights after Henderson stepped into the ring and beat Billy Sibly for the heavyweight championship of the school. He finds time to study when he is not doing something else and last Fall just missed being a distinguished student, having a B average.

And that is not all. He won his nickname, "Jitterbug" on a dance floor, carrying off several prizes for his jitterbug stomp!

## MACAO JOCKEY CLUB MEETING

The adjourned annual meeting of members of Macao Jockey Club was held at the Registered Office of the Company, 3rd Floor Prince's Building, yesterday at 4 p.m.

In proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts to December 31 1940, Mr. R. M. da Rocha, chairman, said that it was decided last year to make changes in the internal affairs of the Club as the result of which Messrs. T. A. Martin & Co were appointed Secretaries. Nine Race Meetings were held in Macao and were well supported. He believed that with additional improvements made during the current year, racing in Macao would be further stimulated and greater support was also confidently expected from the racing public or Hong Kong. The Report and Accounts were seconded by Mr. Phillip Lee and adopted unanimously.

Following were elected Stewards for the current year — Messrs. F. J. Gellion (chairman), G. A. Harriman (vice-chairman), J. M. Braga, K. P. Fletcher, S. W. Lee, H. Y. Liang, V. V. Needa, R. M. de Rocha, H. Nolasco da Silva, and Lt. Eduardo Proenca. Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming were re-elected Auditors.

# Maroons Expected To Lose Unbeaten Record To-Day

By "Grandstand"

**HONG KONG BREWERS ARE SLATED AGAINST "GRANDPA" LEUNG'S CHUNG HWA MAROONS IN THE BASEBALL LEAGUE OPENER THIS AFTERNOON AT 2.15 P.M., WHILE HONG KONG BASEBALLERS TANGLE WITH "SARGE WELFIE" WELFORD'S SAPPERS IN THE NIGHT-CAP.**

Both U.S.S. Tulsa and Asheville being away from port, there has been a slight change in tomorrow's programme, U.S.S. Mindanao taking on a double-header when they meet the weak South China nine at 10.00 a.m. and "Chuck" Waggoner's Marauding Mohawks in the afternoon at 2.30 p.m.

After losing a heart-breaker last week to Chung Hwa, Chuck Waggoner's Mohawks are out to chalk up their first victory of the season, as they take the field with that "something's gotta be done" feeling running high.

The strategy of their last game is still being discussed, and one can hear fans openly state that mentor "Chuck" Waggoner was right or was wrong in yanking Bernie Johnson off the mound last week, in favour of Den Cray, after only one hit had been conceded in five innings.

Bernie "Red" Johnson will probably draw the opening assignment again with his slow teasing jug-handle curves, which have proved quite effective up to date, whilst Den Cray, guarding the Hot Corner, will probably be called in to finish the game.

"Larruping" Lawrence will be guarding the key-stone, whilst Larry Hamlin will cavort around the middle sack with Johnnie Schaberg on the other side. The outfield trio include mentor "Chuck" Waggoner, at left-field, who unleaded the lumber last week for a .600 mark, which is a pretty neat figure in anybody's League, whilst Dan Fittinghoff and "Doc" Molthen will be in the centre and right patches.

### Odds Against R.E.

The odds are slightly against the Engineers taking this tilt, although "Sarge Welfie" Welford's gallant band of Sappers have been known to kick over the dope bucket, and they almost did it during the week, when they produced a spirited fifth inning rally of six runs after trailing behind Chung Hwa 12-2, but their attempt went for nil as darkness set in and chief umpire "Wally" Ching had to call the game after the sixth, despite "Welfie" Welford's protest that he could still see the ball.

Opening pitcher for this fray will be selected from their flinging staff of Mike Sarsfield, "Flash" Rate life and their latest addition of Mack Shaw, guardian of the initial station when not on the mound.

Welford and "Honest" Tom Fox will be the key-stone combination with "Blondie" Taylor at third-base. Outfielders will be "Flash" Ratcliffe, "Battle" Gray and "China" Harper. Hal Winglee, Stan Leonard and Nip Lum are down to officiate this tilt.

Chung Hwa, present League-leaders, by virtue of their three hard-earned victories, have been moving in select company for some time, but even their staunchest supporters do not entertain much hope of a victory over the slugging Brewers, when they come to grips this afternoon at 2.15 p.m.

Al Lau, who went the route for Maroons in both of their nine

innings stretches, is down to start on the slab, but it will need more than pitching skill to face the big guns of Dave Leonard's Beermen. Relief hurler "Morocco" Chan gave a poor display in their mid-week game against the Sappers, when he issued no less than seven free tickets in only two innings, after which he was yanked, and Al Lau replaced him on the hill.

There is a possibility that Wally Ching, who was recently released from South China will toe the rubber this afternoon, but confirmation is still lacking.

As far as veterans are concerned, Chung Hwa are well represented, with "Foxy Grandpa" Leung calling the plays, and "Maskman" Bill Chang, former Far Eastern Olympic star. Key-stoner Pete Choy, and gardeners "Loney" Loong and "Morocco" Chan have also seen long service.

Their latest acquisition is Y. T. Chan, former first-sacker for South China Tigers of umpteen years ago, and who slugged in the team's first extra-base clout during the week, with a two-bagger.

Rookies in the team who are improving fast are third-sacker "Wee" Willie Woo, guardian of the windy alley "Bucky" Ho, and right-gardener Ken Loo.

Strangely enough, although Maroons have three victories to their credit, they have never managed to out-hit their opponents, and were actually out-hit in two of their games. Yes Sir, this is one for Ripley.

### "Cinch" For H.B.

Brewery Bombers should have no difficulty in taking this "cinch", which will provide yet another opportunity of piling up hits to their credit.

Pilot Dave "Bambino" Leonard will probably field his regular line-up. Going around the infield of this heavy-hitting team, we find at first-base Stan Leonard, a steady fielder with a great batting season last year, and, although he hasn't struck his hitting stride, is due for a couple of knocks any time now. At second base, the Beermen are well protected, with Tony "Peewee" Alves starting the season. Alves has already shown speed and skill in double-play executions, and has so far never failed to come through with a safety in each of their games. At third base, the Beermen need not don their bonnets to any other team, with Dave Leonard plugging up the gap, whilst the "Bam" also packs a punch at the plate.

George Souza at short-stop is back in the news again with his first hits of the season last week. Souza is still jittery in the windy alley, but should get back to normal with a few more work-outs on the tricky infield carpet.

In the gardening department, Hank Ali will patrol the left, whilst "Baby" Abbas and "Lefty" Joe Bowen are the two other regular slugging outfielders.

McClanahan, Henry "Crootier" Ruel and Bob Strahl have been appointed as arbitrators for this scuffle.

### To-morrow's Games

Henry Ruel, Mindanao merry-making minstrel, will probably toss the opener against South China to-morrow, whilst pitcher-manager Lou Powlowski, the Potent Polack, will be taking a rest at the initial cushion. Paul Lau and Hal Winglee are down for the Nam Hwa battery.

## HUMPHREYS WINS EMPIRE MARATHON RACE

G. A. Humphreys of London won the Empire Marathon on June 21 in 3 hours 12 mins. 36 seconds. There was a large Service representation, but the most successful was J. Bell, of B.A.F., who was third in 3 hours 30 mins. 37-2/5 seconds.—Reuter.

Umpires for this game will be "Chuck" Waggoner, Johnnie Schaberg and Stan Leonard.

In the afternoon the Powlawski-men make their fourth attempt to play off their "weather-jinxed" game with Hong Kong Baseballers. Powlawski will probably toe the rubber for this scuffle, whilst the Mohawk line-up should remain unchanged.

Arbitrators for this tussle are "Grandpa" Leung, Nip Lum and Tommy Chan.

### Week-End Programme

**TO-DAY**  
H.K. Brewers v Chung Hwa  
(Umpires: McClanahan, Hank Ruel and Bob Strahl.)  
(2.15 p.m.)

H.K. Baseballers v Royal Engineers  
(Umpires: Hal Winglee, Stan Leonard and Nip Lum.)  
(4.30 p.m.)

**TO-MORROW**  
U.S.S. Mindanao v South China  
(Umpires: Chuck Waggoner, Johnnie Schaberg and Stan Leonard.)  
(10.00 a.m.)

U.S.S. Mindanao v H.K. Baseballers  
(Umpires: Grandpa Leung, Nip Lum and Tommy Chan.)  
(2.30 p.m.)

In the replayed second round match in the Scottish summer soccer cup yesterday in Glasgow Hibernians beat Clyde 2-1 and now meet Dumbarton in the semi-final to-day when Hearts will also oppose Rangers.—Reuter.

## SOUTH CHINA AVENGE THEIR EARLIER UPSET

South China football team played the last game of their Malayan tour on Wednesday when they beat Combined Services at Singapore, in a charity match by an only goal, scored by Lau Chung-sang.

In the first game between these two teams, Combined Services won by 4 goals to 2.

Pau Ka-ping, former South China goalkeeper and captain, gamely came out of retirement for this game and was seen between the sticks in place of Tam Kwan-kon, while Lee Wai-tong played at full-back.

South China left for Hong Kong on Thursday after having played 13 games, winning all except against Combined Services at Singapore and drawing with Combined Singapore Chinese and Negri Sembilan State.

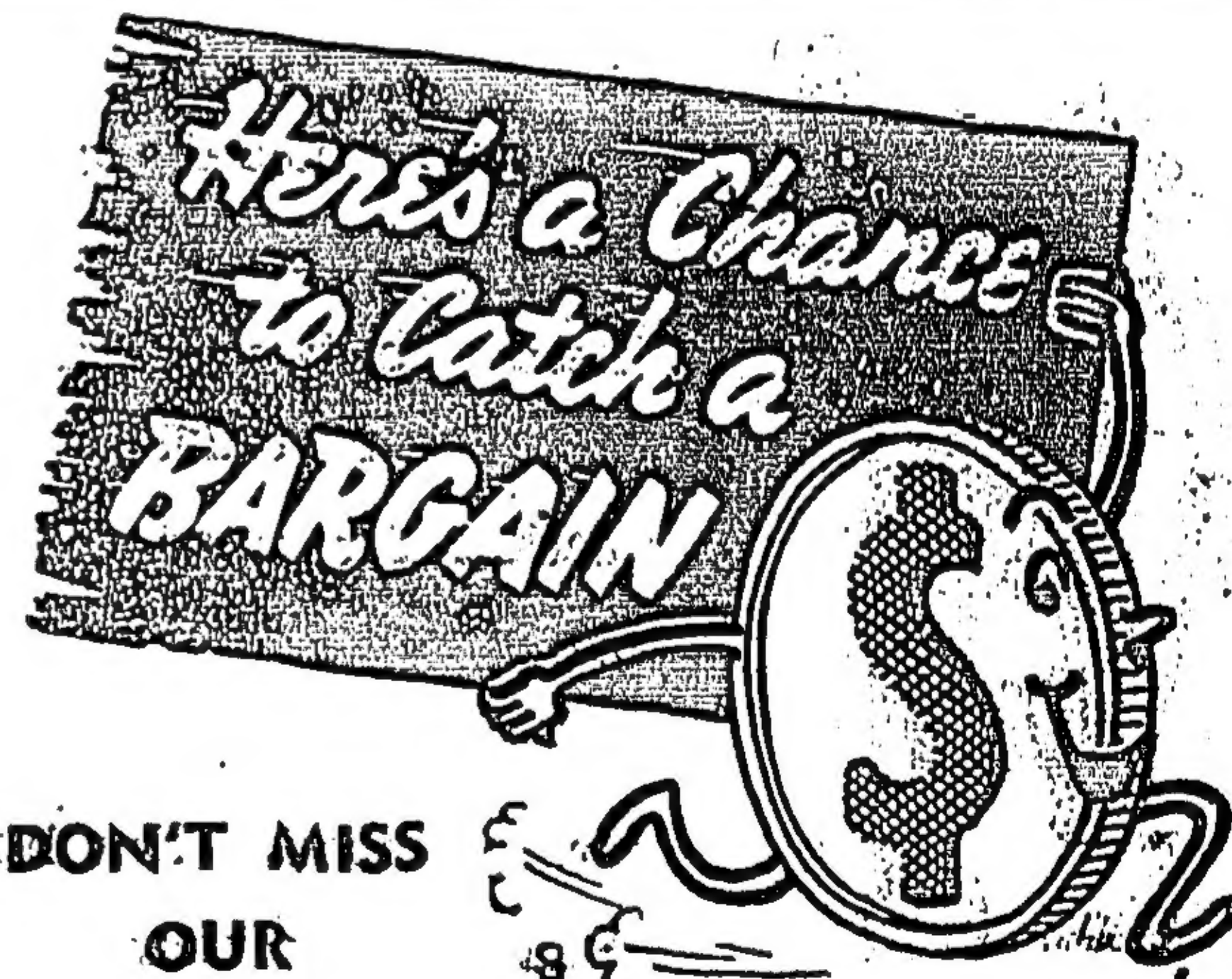
Following are the results of all matches played by South China during the tour:—drew with Combined Singapore Chinese 2-2; beat Combined Singapore 3-0; lost to Combined Services 2-4; beat Combined Kuala Lumpur Chinese 3-2; beat Selangor State Team 3-0; beat Perak State Team 3-2; beat Kuala Lumpur Champions 4-2; beat Combined Ipoh 3-0; beat Pahang 2-0; beat Penang Indians 4-1; beat United Services 11-0; drew with Negri Sembilan State 4-4; beat Combined Services at Singapore 1-0. Goals for 41, Against 16.

Goal Scorers:—Lee Wai-tong 16, Chan Tak-fai 9, Lee Shek-yau 6, Lau Chung-sang 6, Lee Tak-kee 2, Chau Man-chi 1 and Wong Ki-leung 1.

## PATERSON IS STILL UNBEATEN

Jackie Paterson, British fly-weight boxing champion from Glasgow, retained his unbeaten record when he defeated Jimmy Lyden, Lancashire boxer, in a non-title fight at Manchester on June 21, the referee stopping the fight in the ninth round when Lyden had a cut over the left eye.

Paterson was to have met Tiny Bostock, but he was unable to appear, and Lyden deputised, though handicapped from an inoculation of two days previous. He fought well, and a section of the crowd booed when the referee stopped the fight.—Reuter.



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## Allied Position In Eastern Syria Strengthened

### 6,000 Yanks In Army

OVER 6,000 AMERICANS ARE SERVING IN THE CANADIAN ARMY, SAID COL. RALSTON, CANADIAN DEFENCE MINISTER, ADDRESSING A JOINT LUNCHEON OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AND THE CANADIAN CORPS ASSOCIATION AT TORONTO YESTERDAY.

Col. Ralston added the fortress of freedom was held by the fighting spirit of Britain's Services and of the men and women, boys and girls of the British Isles.

—Reuter.

### SHANGHAI RUMOURS

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Vigorously denying rumours that the Nanking regime will soon act to take over Chinese courts in the Shanghai Settlement, a court officer declared the international character of the Settlement makes such a step impossible at present. The court premises are heavily guarded by the police for fear of terrorism. — International News Service.

### SPANISH G.O.C. APPOINTED

General Munoz Grande, Governor of Algeciras, has been appointed to command the Spanish expeditionary force against Russia and is leaving immediately, says a Madrid despatch to the Vichy news agency quoted by Reuter.

### Fresh Success For Indian Troops

THE CAPTURE OF Deir ez Zor (announced in Jerusalem yesterday) almost simultaneously with Palmyra enormously strengthens the Allies' positions in eastern Syria, since these towns represented Vichy strongpoints in this area.

Deir ez Zor lies on the Euphrates, 120 miles north-eastward of Palmyra, where the occupation of the famous oasis provided a base for future operations against the main north Syrian cities of Homs, Ham and Aleppo.

The force which was responsible for the capture of Deir ez Zor consisted largely of Indian troops, who presumably entered Syria from Iraq at a frontier point about Kemal.

This further exploit by Indian troops follows their brilliant work in the Damascus region, where by a series of daring sorties, they helped the entry of the Allies into the Syrian capital.

General Dentz's official communique from Syria yesterday said nothing of the loss of Deir ez Zor but admitted that "a large enemy tank column made contact with French troops."

### Coast Activity

The communique also claimed to have repulsed Allied troops in southern Syria, taking a large number of prisoners.

On the coast south of Beirut, patrol and artillery activity was

reported. French aircraft, the communique added, are still active bombing and machine-gunning Allied columns. — Reuter.

### Saboteurs Active

Large scale sabotage behind the Vichy lines was indicated by a reliable report that a train from Beirut to Rayak struck a land mine placed on the track.

Two wagon-loads of ammunition were blown up, and it is reported that the Beirut radio, which had been silent for about a week, was wrecked by sabotage. Vichy authorities have lately been compelled to resort to the use of a mobile transmitter in order to broadcast their news bulletins. — Reuter.

### BATTLE FOR STALIN LINE

(Continued from Page 1)

### Soviet "Pockets" Resisting

"Soviet forces piled up along the frontier have been scattered and penetrated," says the German news agency.

"Soviet troops, equipment and planes have suffered so severely that their losses cannot be made up."

At the same time, the Germans admit large-scale fighting—an important mopping up operation is still going on behind the German front as "pockets" of Soviet troops continue stubbornly to resist.

"The whole territory is being combed for scattered units of the Soviet Army."

Meanwhile, a threat to Kiev, the Ukrainian capital, is developing from the south where the Germans claim that Hungarian troops advancing across the Carpathians have reached the plains beyond and have joined up with the right wing of the German army in Eastern Poland.

### Battle In The Passes

"The Hungarians overcame tough resistance by Soviet troops in the narrow Carpathian passes during Thursday's fighting. The Hungarian air force is supporting the land forces by violent attacks on the Soviet columns."

Reports indicating the determination with which the Soviet troops are counter-attacking, continue to appear in the German press.

One says: "In the Dubno sector a German unit has for three days held up a violent attack by hundreds of Soviet 52-ton tanks."

"German anti-tank guns have been in constant action, causing great damage to the tanks, penetrating their armament and destroying their steel turrets."

"Twenty-three of the heaviest Soviet tanks have been destroyed."

Hungarian troops are already pursuing the retreating enemy in the Plain of Galicia, says an official Hungarian communique.

It also states that the Hungarian air force successfully bombed military targets in Soviet Russia.

### STOP PRESS

Italian resistance throughout the whole of Mussolini's East African Empire is virtually at an end, with the surrender of the Italian forces in Gallasidamo.

Except for the Italian garrison at Gondar, now hemmed in by Empire and Patriot forces, and a small column which is dispersed in wild country, there are no Italians left to fight.

General Gazerra, who surrenders with the Italian forces in Gallasidamo, is a former Italian War Minister, aged 62. — Reuter.

ENQUIRIES FROM THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY AT 10.45 A.M. ELICITED THE INFORMATION THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO FURTHER REPORTS REGARDING THE POSITION OF THE TYPHOON AND THAT NO 1 SIGNAL, HOISTED AT 2.05 P.M. YESTERDAY, WAS STILL UP.

Position was, as last reported, 20 deg. Lat N., 119 deg. Long. E., moving N.W.

Enemy aircraft were believed to be in the vicinity of the Merseyside area last night, says Reuter from London.



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